

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

April 06, 2001
8:30 A.M.

Hearing Room D
Tape 83

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Rep. Bruce Starr, Chair**
 Rep. Alan Brown, Vice-Chair
 Rep. Jeff Merkley Vice-Chair
 Rep. Donna Nelson
 Rep. Diane Rosenbaum
 Rep. Cliff Zauner

MEMBER EXCUSED: **Rep. Richard Devlin**
 Rep. Jeff Kropf
 Rep. Joanne Verger

STAFF PRESENT: **John Leon, Committee Administrator**
 Kevin Wells, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: **HB 3364 Public Hearing and Work Session**

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 83, A		
003	Chair Starr	Calls meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. Opens public hearing on HB 3364.
<u>HB 3364 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
017	John Leon	Committee Administrator. Reviews HB 3364.
030	Ken Armstrong	Oregon Ports Group. Testifies in support of HB 3364 (EXHIBIT A). Explains the need for a forum to discuss multi-modal freight issues within ODOT.
062	Keith Leavitt	Port of Portland. Supports HB 3364 with the -1 amendments. Articulates the economic importance of freight transportation.
082	Rep. Zauner	Asks if there is a fiscal impact statement.
086	Chair Starr	Reviews the fiscal impact statement.
095	Rep. Merkley	Inquires about Evergreen International's decision to not ship on the Columbia River.
104	Leavitt	Asserts that Evergreen International's decision is negative for Oregon. Explains the situation.
113	Rep. Merkley	Asks if other shipping lines will replace Evergreen International or if cargo will be redirected to ports in Washington.
116	Leavitt	Replies that both will happen.
129	Rep. Nelson	Suggests that Oregon needs a multi-modal transportation system to meet the needs of the freight shipping industry.
138	Armstrong	Concurs with Rep. Nelson. Notes that is why HB 3364 was introduced. Approves of the -1 amendments (EXHIBIT B).
159	Everett Cutter	Manager, Oregon Rail Road Association. Supports HB 3364. Outlines previous discussions and legislative action on this issue.
177	Matthew Garrett	Assistant to Director, Oregon Department of Transportation. Supports HB 3364. Agrees with previous testimony.

196 Rep. Zauner Asks about the –1 amendments.
201 Garrett Explains the change and level of expertise ODOT can now provide.
217 Chair Starr Closes public hearing on HB 3364. Opens work session on HB 3364.

HB 3364 WORK SESSION

219 Rep. Merkley **MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3364-1 amendments dated 04/05/01.**

VOTE: 6-0

EXCUSED: 3 - Devlin, Kropf, Verger

Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.

221 Chair Starr
223 Rep. Merkley **MOTION: Moves HB 3364 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.**

VOTE: 6-0

AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.

EXCUSED: 3 - Devlin, Kropf, Verger

225 Chair Starr **The motion CARRIES.**

REP. MERKLEY will lead discussion on the floor.

235 Chair Starr Closes work session on HB 3364. Adjourns the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted By,

Reviewed By,

Kevin Wells,
Committee Assistant

John Leon,
Committee Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – HB 3364, written testimony, Ken Armstrong, 2 pp.

B – HB 3364, LC amendment –1 (4/5/01), staff, 1 p.

C – HB 3364, written testimony, Matthew Garrett, 1 p.