

# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

May 22, 2001  
4:00 p.m.

Hearing Room B  
Tapes 131 - 132

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

**STAFF PRESENT:**       **John Leon, Committee Administrator**  
                                  **Jennifer Simmons, Committee Assistant**

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:**     **HB 3413 – Public Hearing and Work Session**  
                                  **HB 2142 – Public Hearing and Work Session**  
                                  **HB 3548 – Reconsideration and Work Session**  
                                  **HB 2870 – Work Session**  
                                  **HB 3569 – Work Session**

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<b>TAPE/#</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>TAPE 1, A</b>		
002	Chair Starr	Opens meeting at 5:35 p.m. Opens a work session on HB 2870.
<b><u>WORK SESSION – HB 2870</u></b>		
022	Rep. Zauner	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2870-3 amendments dated 05/21/01.</b>
024		<b>VOTE: 9-0</b>
	Chair Starr	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
025	Rep. Zauner	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 2870 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means.</b>
028		<b>VOTE: 9-0</b>
	Chair Starr	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. Closes the work session and opens a work session on HB 3569.</b>
<b><u>WORK SESSION – HB 3569</u></b>		
033	Rep. Zauner	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3569-6 amendments dated 05/18/01.</b>
053		<b>VOTE: 9-0</b>
	Chair Starr	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
058	Rep. Zauner	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 3569 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>
065	Rep. Rosenbaum	States her opposition to this bill. Says that she does not believe that it is necessary.
072		<b>VOTE: 6-3</b>

**AYE: 6 - Brown, Kropf, Nelson, Verger, Zauner,**

**Starr**

**NAY: 3 - Devlin, Merkley, Rosenbaum**

**The motion CARRIES.**

**REP. ZAUNER will lead discussion on the floor.** Closes the work session and opens a work session on HB 3548.

**Chair Starr**

**WORK SESSION – HB 3548**

**089 Rep. Devlin**

**MOTION: Moves to SUSPEND the rules for the purpose of reconsideration of the previous vote on HB 3548.**

**090 VOTE: 9-0**

**Chair Starr**

**Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**

**099 Rep. Kropf**

**MOTION: Moves to RECONSIDER the vote by which the committee passed HB 3548.**

**100 VOTE: 9-0**

**Chair Starr**

**Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.** Closes the work session and opens a public hearing on HB 3413.

**PUBLIC HEARING – HB 3413**

**101 Leon**

Explains the bill.

**137 Andrea Fogue**

League of Oregon Cities. States support of the bill and the amendments.

**144 Bill Penhollow**

Association of Oregon Counties. Concurs with Ms. Fogue.

**146 Chair Starr**

Closes the public hearing and opens a work session on HB 3413.

**WORK SESSION – HB 3413**

**147 Rep. Devlin**

**MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3413 amendments dated 05/04/01.**

**149 VOTE: 9-0**

**Chair Starr**

**Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**

**152 Rep. Devlin**

**MOTION: Moves HB 3413 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.**

**155 VOTE: 9-0**

**Chair Starr**

**Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**  
**REP. VERGER will lead discussion on the floor.** Closes the work session and opens a public hearing on HB 2142.

**PUBLIC HEARING – HB 2142**

**195 Joan Robinson**

Legislative Counsel. Explains the –8 amendments (**EXHIBIT A**) section by section.

**334 Rep. Kropf**

Asks definition of “trailer”.

**340 Robinson**

Answers that the definition located in the Motor Code is the definition that applies to this bill. Continues to explain the amendments.

**380 Pat Egan**

Governor’s Office. Says that this bill exceeds their priorities and principles. States that the Governor is very pleased with this bill.

**440 Bruce Warner**

Department of Transportation. Testifies in support of the bill. Says that this is a great proposal.

**TAPE 132, A**

**067 Kelly Taylor**

Department of Transportation. Defines “trailer” as any trailer over 8,000 pounds.

**071 Rep. Kropf**

Asks if the change of address fee will be raised.

**076 Taylor**

Answers yes.

**082 Rep. Kropf**

Asks where the money will come from to repay these bonds.

**092 Warner**

Answers that the State Highway Trust Fund will repay the bonds if the revenues are short.

**112 Rep. Brown**

Asks if this bill will affect the money coming from the proposed

118	Warner	ODOT budget that is designated for modernization.
124	Rep. Verger	Answers that this is separate money from the budget. Asks if there are state highways that run through cities as main streets.
129	Warner	Answers yes.
130	Rep. Verger	Asks if they are interested in jurisdictional exchange on sections of highway that run between cities.
136	Warner	Answers no.
137	Rep. Merkley	Asks how sure we are that we will raise 71.2 million dollars in revenue.
148	Warner	Answers by explaining how they came to those numbers as potential amounts of revenue.
160	Rep. Nelson	States her support of the bill and thanks all those who worked on the bill.
167	Rep. Kropf	Asks if the distribution formula will continue even after the bond is paid.
175	Robinson	Answers yes.
196	Egan	Says that once the bonds are paid off, moneys go back to a local-state match.
204	Kropf	Asks what the expected term of payoff is.
206	Warner	Answers that they do not know yet.
211	Robinson	Explains how the distribution formula was created.
227	Rep. Devlin	Asks if the increasing costs of construction will exceed the interest paid.
237	Warner	Answers yes.
276	Chair Starr	Thanks Bruce Warner and his staff for their work on this bill.
342	Craig Campbell	AAA. Expresses thanks to Chair Starr for his work to get all sides to compromise. States his full support of the bill with the – 8 amendments.
375	Bob Russell	Oregon Trucking Association. Testifies in favor of the bill as amended with the –8 amendments.
403	Jacob Brostoff	1000 Friends of Oregon. Says that they are generally supportive of the bill. Expresses concern that the projects will not be prioritized.
440	Matt Blevins	Oregon Environment Council. States support of the bill, encourages the priority of preservation versus modernization.
<b>TAPE 131, B</b>		
009	Dee Bridges	Oregon Forest Products Trucking Association. Says that he supports this bill.
012	Al Elkins	Oregon Tow Truck Association. Also states support of the bill.
022	Judge Laura Pryor	Gilliam County. Says that this signals a new way of doing business. States her support of the bill.
050	Andrea Fogue	League of Oregon Cities. States appreciation of the Chair's leadership in this issue.
075	Jessica Harris	Associated General Contractors. Says that they are very excited about this bill.
082	Diedre Molander	Oregon Business Council. Urges support for raising revenue for highways and bridges.
093	John Watt	Oregon Highway Users Alliance. Commends the Chair for his leadership and tenacity.
104	Susan Schneider	City of Portland. Speaks in favor of the bill.
107	Keith Leavitt	Port of Portland. States support for the record.
111	Lynn Lundquist	Oregon Business Association. Says that this bill is making history. Says that the business community is very supportive of

127	Chair Starr	this bill.
140	Leon	Refers to Section 9 of the draft and invites Deb Stubs to testify.
149	Deb Stubbs	Explains the section that the next witness will be speaking to. Citizen. Testifies regarding a portion of the bill that requires motorcycles to have flags in the sand dunes. Explains why this is necessary.
237	Chair Starr	Welcomes the Speaker of the House to the dais. Asks for any comments from the Speaker.
244	Speaker Simmons	Commends the committee, particularly Chair Starr for all of the hard work done on this bill. Says that this will begin to address the transportation needs of this state.
263	Chair Starr	Closes the public hearing and opens a work session on HB 2142.
<b><u>WORK SESSION – HB 2142</u></b>		
271	Rep. Merkley	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2142-8 amendments dated 5/22/01.</b>
274		<b>VOTE: 9-0</b>
	Chair Starr	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
277	Rep. Merkley	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 2142 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>
282	Rep. Merkley	Says that this bill symbolizes the Chair’s work to get all sides to compromise for a good bill. Says that he has enjoyed his time with the committee.
306	Rep. Brown	Speaks about the tremendous need for modernization and preservation of highways and bridges. Commends everyone for their work on the bill.
322	Rep. Kropf	Thanks Chair Starr for his tenacity and not taking no for an answer.
338	Rep. Devlin	Agrees with his colleagues that the Chair has exhibited wonderful leadership of the committee.
370	Rep. Nelson	Expresses hope to get matching federal funds for transportation.
382	Rep. Verger	Says that it has been a pleasure serving on this committee. Says that they need to let their colleagues know what a good bill this is.
394	Rep. Zauner	States that the Chair has done a masterful job of negotiating.
400	Rep. Rosenbaum	Says that she shares her colleagues comments.
416	Chair Starr	Thanks the committee for their comments. Commends all of the involved parties and staff for their work and for compromising for the good of the bill. Says that this will affect our children and families. Asks for a roll call vote on the bill.

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**Chair Starr**

**VOTE: 9-0**

**Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.  
REP. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.** Closes the work session and adjourns the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Submitted By,

Reviewed By,

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John Leon,  
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**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

**A – LC amendments, HB 2142 –8, 6 pp**