

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LABOR AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

January 24, 2001 Hearing Room C
3:00 PM Tapes 8 - 9

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Avel Gordly, Vice-Chair
Sen. Tony Corcoran
Sen. Ryan Deckert
Sen. Steve Harper
Sen. Charles Starr

MEMBER EXCUSED:

Sen. Roger Beyer, Chair
Sen. Jason Atkinson

STAFF PRESENT:

Keith Putman, Committee Administrator
Pam Brunell, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: Possible Introduction of Committee Bills
Benchmarks of Oregon Progress Board
SB 193 – Public Hearing
Status of HB 3509 (1999 Session)

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 8, A		
004	Vice-Chair Gordly	Calls the meeting to order at 3:05 PM and opens Informational Meeting.
<u>BENCHMARKS OF OREGON PROGRESS BOARD</u>		
025	Jeffrey Tryens	Executive Director, Oregon Progress Board. Reviews Benchmarks trends (EXHIBIT A). Demonstrates the six categories effecting this committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Economic Development• Competition and Regulation• Labor• Infrastructure• Energy• Telecommunications
200	Tryens	Continues testimony by discussing the sources for establishing Benchmarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oregon Employment Department• CFED• National Science Foundation• Economic Policy Institute• Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

- Regional Finance Associates
- Oregon Population Survey
- Oregon Department of Education
- Oregon Office of Community Colleges & Workforce Development
- Oregon Health Division
- Oregon Office of Energy

300	Tryens	Continues testimony by discussing issues of concern to committee.
TAPE 9, A		
048	Tryens	Provides the meaningful measures for Oregon's progress.
TAPE 8, B		
030	Vice Chair Gordly	Opens public hearing on SB 193.
<u>SB 193 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
040	Keith Putman	Committee Administrator. Explains SB 193.
063	Sharon Hill	Legislative Assistant, Senator Gordly. Testifies in support of SB 193
		(EXHIBIT B). Submits written testimony of Virlena Crosley for the record (EXHIBIT C).
120	Frank Richey	Manager, Unemployment Insurance Programs and Analysis, Employment Department. States that the department is not taking a position on the SB 193.
143	Vice-Chair Gordly	Closes hearing on SB 193.
<u>STATUS OF HB 3509 (1999 SESSION)</u>		
164	Jon DuFrene	Statewide Account Receivable Management Coordinator. Testifies on the status of HB 3509 (1999) to have private agencies collect debt owed to the state (EXHIBIT D).
222	DuFrene	Describes State of Oregon's receivables.
320	DuFrene	Shows the financial results of HB 3509 and consistency of plan.
390	Vice Chair Gordly	Asks about the flow of business leaving the state.
405	DuFrene	Describes the minimal response of business leaving or closing.
414	Putman	Asks if state agencies have been responsive.
420	DuFrene	Replies that it is a mixed bag because of the broad spectrum of agencies.
TAPE 9, B		
033	Putman	Requests the percentage of the debt that has been collected by private collection agencies.
041	Jim Markee	Oregon Collection Association. Replies that the National percent is 25%. The Oregon debt is less collectable.
081	Vice-Chair Gordly	Adjourns the meeting at 4:35 PM.

Submitted By,

Reviewed By,

Pam Brunell
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Keith Putman,
Committee Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – Informational written material, Jeff Tryens, 11 pp.

B – SB 193, written testimony, Sharon Hill, 1 p.

C – SB 193, written material, Virlena Crosley 1 p.

D – Informational written material, Jon DuFrene, 10 pp.