

SENATE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND REDISTRICTING

June 28, 2001 Hearing Room C
9:00 AM Tapes 130 - 131

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Steve Harper, Chair
Sen. Peter Courtney, Vice-Chair
Sen. Jason Atkinson
Sen. Lee Beyer
Sen. John Minnis

STAFF PRESENT: Craig Allen, Administrator
Rick Berkobien, Administrator
Marjorie Taylor, Administrator
Andrew Morris, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD: HB 2519A Public Hearing
HB 2049A Work Session
HB 2057A Work Session

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 130, A		
004	Chair Harper	Calls the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and opens a public hearing on HB 2519A.
<u>HB 2519A PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
012	Lisa Trussel	Associated Oregon Industries. Testifies in support of HB 2519A (EXHIBIT A) . Comments on increased health care costs. (EXHIBIT B) –A12 Amendments. (These were submitted by Governor Kitzhaber at the June 27, meeting.) (EXHIBIT C) –A13 Amendments. (These were submitted by Senator David Nelson for Senator Gene Derfler at the June 27, meeting.)
054	Scott Gallant	Oregon Medical Association. Testifies in support of HB 2519A (EXHIBIT D) . States support for the –A12 amendments.
105	Chair Harper	Asks if the bill addresses reimbursement rates.
109	Gallant	Responds the amendments (Section 6 on the –A13) include a provision that requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to review reimbursement rates. Comments on rising prescription drug costs.
143	Sen. L Beyer	Asks if the –A13 amendments raise the reimbursement rates.
147	Gallant	Responds it does raise the rates. States the current reimbursement rate is 45 percent of the commercial rates.
172	Bob Castagna	Oregon Catholic Conference. Reviews testimony on HB 2519A (EXHIBIT E) . Explains the need for universal health coverage. Relates the concerns of the conference.
269	Sen. Harper	Asks if amendments have been drafted to address the conference concerns.
272	Castagna	Responds they are being worked on.
278	Sen. Minnis	Asks if prenatal care is included in the Oregon Health Plan

(OHP).
 289 Gallant Explains how services are paid for. Comments on federal policy.
 318 Sen. Minnis Asks if prenatal care should be covered under the OHP.
 326 Gallant Responds that sufficient prenatal care has improved statistics in Oregon.
 338 Sen. Minnis Asks how many people who are not citizens receive prenatal care in Oregon.
 340 Gallant Responds he is unsure.
 350 Castagna Comments on illegal residents giving birth in Oregon.
 369 Kevin Earls Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems. Testifies in support of HB 2519A (**EXHIBIT F**). Points out the benefits of HB 2519A. States support for the –A12 amendments.

TAPE 131, A

000 Earls Continues testimony.
 027 Sen. L Beyer Asks about patient access.
 030 Earls Responds that reimbursement levels are inadequate and it is causing access problems.
 065 Jeff Heatherington Family Care, Inc. Presents testimony on HB 2519A and presents the –A7 amendments (**EXHIBIT G**). Comments on the privatization of Medicaid services. Talks about patient access. Relates concerns with HB 2519A.
 160 Heatherington States that physician’s incomes have decreased 25 percent in the last six years.
 210 Sen. L Beyer States that physicians have to shuffle appointments because of the low reimbursement rates.
 220 Heatherington Relates a possible scenario.
 261 Sen. L Beyer Comments on cost shifting. States that people who do not have access to healthcare end up in emergency rooms.
 277 Chair Harper Closes the public hearing on HB 2519A and opens a public hearing on HB 2049A.

HB 2049A WORK SESSION

290 Chuck Craig Oregon Department of Agriculture. Testifies in support of HB 2049A (**EXHIBIT H**). Explains the background of HB 2049A.
 336 Sen. Minnis Asks why the report required in HB 2049A is not required until the next session.
 347 Craig Responds a report will be given to an interim committee.
 360 Sen. Atkinson Asks how state, federal, and local agencies have spent five million-dollars to prevent damage to crops and livestock from wildlife.
 365 Craig Explains what the money has been and will be used for.
 383 **Sen. Courtney** **MOTION: Moves HB 2049A to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.**
VOTE: 5-0
 385 **Chair Harper** **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**
SEN. ATKINSON will lead discussion on the floor.

TAPE 130, B

003 Chair Harper Closes the work session on HB 2049A and opens a work session on HB 2057A.

HB 2057A WORK SESSION

014 Paul Warner Legislative Revenue. Testifies on the –A13 amendments (**EXHIBIT I**). Explains how the security fund would receive money. Explains the impact on the kicker refund. Gives a

		sectional analysis.
085	Sen. L. Beyer	Asks about the language regarding the legislative ending balance in HB 2057A.
092	Warner	Explains the end of session budgeting process. Comments on the cash flow issues.
147	Warner	Continues testimony.
155	Sen. L. Beyer	Asks what would happen if there was a large kicker.
163	Warner	Relates a possible scenario.
198	Sen. Courtney	Asks about Section 4 of the –A13 amendments.
204	Warner	Comments on the tobacco settlement.
226	Sen. Courtney	Asks about Section 5 of the –A13 amendments.
239	Warner	Comments on the Medicaid Upper Limit Account.
275	Lynn Lundquist	Oregon Business Association. Comments on the original bill. Explains funding. States that money will not be taken from the State Accident Insurance Fund (SAIF). Comments on the need for a reserve fund.
320	Chair Harper	Comments on the funding sources.
325	Sen. Minnis	Asks about using General Fund monies.
328	Lundquist	Responds by explaining money that would be appropriate for the reserve fund.
350	Sen. Courtney	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2057A-A13 amendments dated 6/26/01.
		VOTE: 5-0
353	Chair Harper	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
358	Sen. Courtney	MOTION: Moves HB 2057A to the floor without recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means.
		VOTE: 5-0
362	Chair Harper	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
368	Chair Harper	Closes the work session on HB 2057A and adjourns the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

Submitted By,

Reviewed By,

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Craig Allen,
Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – HB 2519, Survey, Lisa Trussel, 7 pp.

B – HB 2519, -A12 Amendments, Governor Kitzhaber, 9 pp.

C – HB 2519, -A13 Amendments, Sen. Gene Derfler, 9 pp.

D – HB 2519, Written testimony, Scott Gallant, 4 pp.

E – HB 2519, Written testimony, Bob Castagna, 14 pp.

F – HB 2519, Written testimony, Kevin Earls, 2 pp.

G – HB 2519, Written testimony and the –A7 Amendments, Jeff Heatherington, 5 pp.

H – HB 2049, Written testimony, Chuck Craig, 2 pp.
I – HB 2057, -A13 Amendments, Staff, 8 pp.