

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

March 10, 2015  
1:00 P.M.

Hearing Room C

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sen. Arnie Roblan, Chair  
Sen. Tim Knopp, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Herman Baertschiger, Jr.  
Sen. Sara Gelser  
Sen. Mark Hass  
Sen. Jeff Kruse

**MEMBER(S) EXCUSED:** Sen. Lee Beyer

**STAFF PRESENT:** Gretchen Engbring, Committee Administrator  
Oksana Glukhovskikh, Committee Assistant

**EXHIBITS:** Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** SB 657 – Public Hearing  
SB 553 – Public Hearing  
SB 554 – Public Hearing  
SB 556 – Public Hearing  
SB 758 – Public Hearing

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**00:00:17** Meeting Called to Order  
**00:00:17** Chair Roblan

**00:01:26** **SB 657 - Public Hearing**  
**00:01:26** Chair Roblan  
**00:02:06** Vice-Chair Knopp  
**00:02:18** Sen. Betsy Johnson, Senate District 16  
**00:04:56** Mark Labhart, County Commissioner, Association of Oregon Counties  
**00:07:30** Ed Ray, President, Oregon State University  
**00:10:43** EXHIBIT 1: Rick Gustafson, President, Oregon Environmental Council  
**00:12:30** Martina Vega, 4H participant, Benton County  
**00:14:37** Sen. Kruse  
**00:15:04** Sen. Gelser  
**00:16:20** Bryan Wolfe, Hermiston Agriculture Research and Extension Centers  
Advisory Committee  
**00:19:43** Thomas Maness, Dean of College of Forestry, Oregon State University  
**00:22:13** Joel Fischer, Senior Policy Analyst, Oregon Business Association

**00:25:00** EXHIBIT 2: Witness Registration  
**00:26:02** The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:  
EXHIBIT 3 : Hans Bernard, Associate Vice President of State and  
Community Affairs, University of Oregon

**00:25:16** **SB 553 - Public Hearing**  
**00:25:16** Chair Roblan  
**00:25:50** Sen. Gelser  
**00:28:44** EXHIBITS 4-13: Mark McKechnie, Executive Director, Youth, Rights &  
Justice  
**00:37:48** Torri Lynne, Director, Linn County Juvenile Department  
**00:41:38** Nichole Maher, President & CEO, NW Health Foundation  
**00:44:52** Morgan Allen, Legislative Services Specialist, Oregon School Boards  
Association  
**00:47:00** EXHIBITS 14-15: Mark Jackson, Coach, Oregon Alliance for Education  
Equity  
**00:52:46** Shiela Warren, Founder & President, Portland Parent Union  
**01:01:30** EXHIBIT 16: Witness Registration

**01:01:44** **SB 554 - Public Hearing**  
**01:01:44** Chair Roblan  
**01:01:51** Sen. Gelser  
**01:03:04** EXHIBITS 17-26: Mark McKechnie, Executive Director, Youth, Rights &  
Justice  
**01:09:15** Cori Matthew, Youth and Education Services Director, Native American  
Youth and Family Center  
**01:13:04** Ashley Thirstrup, Youth and Education Services Associate Director, Native  
American Youth and Family Center  
**01:15:08** Torri Lynne, Director, Linn County Juvenile Department  
**01:20:22** Mark Jackson, Coach, Oregon Alliance for Education Equity  
**01:22:30** EXHIBIT 27: Witness Registration

**01:22:35** **SB 556 - Public Hearing**  
**01:22:35** Chair Roblan  
**01:22:40** Sen. Gelser  
**01:26:54** Mark McMechnie, Executive Director, Youth, Rights & Justice  
**01:28:41** Vice-Chair Knopp  
**01:32:30** EXHIBIT 28: Witness Registration

**01:32:38** **SB 758 - Public Hearing**  
**01:32:38** Chair Roblan  
**01:32:55** Sen. Gelser  
**01:37:49** Sen. Kruse  
**01:39:17** Meeting Adjourned