

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND EARLY
CHILDHOOD**

April 7, 2015
03:00 PM

Hearing Room B

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Sara Gelser, Chair
Sen. Alan Olsen, Vice-Chair
Sen. Michael Dembrow
Sen. Jeff Kruse
Sen. Laurie Monnes Anderson

STAFF PRESENT: Cheyenne Ross, Committee Administrator
Maria I Hernandez, Committee Assistant

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

MEASURES/ISSUES: SB 659 – Work Session
SB 741 – Public Hearing
SB 296 – Work Session
SB 490 – Work Session
SB 739 – Public Hearing
SB 939 – Public Hearing

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00:00:08 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:09 Chair Gelser

00:00:36 **SB 659 - Work Session**
00:00:35 EXHIBIT 1: Chair Gelser

00:00:51 **SB 741 - Public Hearing**
00:00:54 Cheyenne Ross, Committee Administrator
00:01:28 Chair Gelser
00:01:35 Rep. Duane Stark, House District 4
00:10:55 Denise Loraditch, Foster Parent, Josephine County, Oregon
00:17:59 Sen. Kruse
00:19:01 Sen. Monnes Anderson
00:21:32 Vice-Chair Olsen
00:25:14 EXHIBIT 2: Mark McKechnie, Executive Director, Youth, Rights & Justice
00:33:07 EXHIBIT 3: Joel Willard, Board Member, Youth, Rights & Justice
00:41:23 Debbie Albright, Lane County, Oregon

00:50:03 EXHIBIT 4: Lynn Travis, Program Director, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for Children

00:54:12 **SB 296 - Work Session**
00:54:16 Cheyenne Ross, Committee Administrator
00:54:49 EXHIBIT 5: Chair Gelser
00:54:51 Sen. Kruse
00:54:57 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OLSEN MOVES THAT THE RULES BE SUSPENDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECONSIDERING THE VOTE ON SB 296

00:55:13 VOTE: 5-0-0
AYES: DEMBROW, KRUSE, MONNES ANDERSON, OLSEN, GELSER

00:55:15 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OLSEN MOVES TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE BY WHICH SB 296 WAS MOVED WITH A DO PASS AS AMENDED RECOMMENDATION AND THAT A SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO WAYS AND MEANS WAS ADDED

00:55:42 VOTE: 5-0-0
AYES: DEMBROW, KRUSE, MONNES ANDERSON, OLSEN, GELSER

00:55:51 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OLSEN MOVES SB 296 DO PASS AS AMENDED

00:56:10 VOTE: 5-0-0
AYES: DEMBROW, KRUSE, MONNES ANDERSON, OLSEN, GELSER
CARRIER: SEN. KRUSE WILL LEAD DISCUSSION ON THE FLOOR

00:56:39 **SB 490 - Work Session**
00:56:41 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OLSEN MOVES THAT THE RULES BE SUSPENDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECONSIDERING THE VOTE ON SB 490

00:56:48 EXHIBIT 6: Chair Gelser
00:56:55 VOTE: 5-0-0
AYES: DEMBROW, KRUSE, MONNES ANDERSON, OLSEN, GELSER

00:56:57 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OLSEN MOVES TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE BY WHICH SB 490 WAS MOVED WITH A DO PASS AS AMENDED RECOMMENDATION

00:57:14 VOTE: 5-0-0
AYES: DEMBROW, KRUSE, MONNES ANDERSON, OLSEN, GELSER

00:57:19 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OLSEN MOVES SB 490 DO PASS AS AMENDED & BE REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

00:57:45 VOTE: 5-0-0
AYES: DEMBROW, KRUSE, MONNES ANDERSON, OLSEN, GELSER

00:58:05 **SB 741 - Public Hearing**
00:58:06 Chair Gelser
00:58:08 Vice-Chair Olsen
00:58:27 Kathy Prouty, Child Welfare Division, Department of Human Services

01:02:26 Sen. Monnes Anderson
01:07:32 EXHIBIT 7: Witness Registration

01:07:37 **SB 739 - Public Hearing**
01:07:38 Cheyenne Ross, Committee Administrator
01:08:20 Chair Gelser
01:08:48 EXHIBIT 8: Bob Joondeph, Executive Director, Disability Rights Oregon
01:10:50 Joel Greenberg, Attorney, Disability Rights Oregon
01:15:05 Sara Radcliffe, Attorney, Disability Rights Oregon

01:22:42 **SB 939 - Public Hearing**
01:22:43 Chair Gelser
01:22:52 EXHIBIT 9: Sen. Chip Shields, Senate District 22
01:25:43 EXHIBIT 10: Rep. Jessica Vega Pederson, House District 47

01:27:53 **SB 739 - Public Hearing**
01:27:54 Chair Gelser
01:28:08 Aaron Knott, Legislative Director, Attorney General, Department of Justice
01:30:02 Steve Robbins, Administrator, Health Services, Oregon Department of Corrections
01:33:15 EXHIBIT 11: Michael Gower, Assistant Director, Operations, Oregon Department of Corrections
01:36:15 Sen. Monnes Anderson
01:39:12 EXHIBIT 12: Witness Registration
01:39:13 The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:
EXHIBIT 13: Cheryl Ramirez, Director, Association of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs
EXHIBIT 14: Chris Bouneff, Executive Director, National Alliance of Mental Illness Oregon
EXHIBIT 15: Jan Elfers, Public Policy Director, Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
EXHIBIT 16: Kimberly McCullough, Legislative Director, American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon
EXHIBIT 17-18: Mary Botkin, American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees Oregon

01:39:16 **SB 939 - Public Hearing**
01:39:17 Chair Gelser
01:40:13 EXHIBIT 19-20: Keva Miller, Associate Dean, Portland State University, School of Social Work
01:42:15 EXHIBIT 21: Nova Sweet, Former Member, Family Preservation Project, Coffee Creek Correctional Facility
01:44:45 Katrina Going, resident, Oregon
01:46:05 EXHIBIT 22: Christina Jenks, resident, Oregon
01:49:11 EXHIBIT 23: Elizabeth Cushwa, Strategic Director, Children First for Oregon

01:51:11 Mark McKechnie, Executive Director, Youth, Rights & Justice
01:52:57 Vice-Chair Olsen
01:53:48 EXHIBIT 24: Amanda Hess, Legislative Assistant, Sen. Chip Shields,
Senate District 22
01:55:38 Sen. Monnes Anderson
01:56:21 EXHIBIT 25: Witness Registration
01:56:22 The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:
EXHIBIT 26: Andy Ko, Executive Director, Partnership for Safety and
Justice
EXHIBIT 27: Caitlin Mitchell, Attorney, Youth, Rights & Justice
EXHIBIT 28: Darin Mancuso, Foster Care Ombudsman, State of Oregon
EXHIBIT 29: Gene Zaharie, resident, Oregon
EXHIBIT 30: Heather Jefferis, Executive Director, Kinship House
EXHIBIT 31: James Manning, Chair, Oregon Commission on Black Affairs
EXHIBIT 32: Karen Nibler, Social Policy Coordinator, League of Women
Voters of Oregon
EXHIBIT 33: Kate Newhall, Family Forward
EXHIBIT 34: Laurie Wimmer, Consultant, Government Relations, Oregon
Education Association
EXHIBIT 35: Lucy Baker, Administrator, Oregon Advocacy Commissions
Office
EXHIBIT 36: Marcia Kelley, Oregon Women's Rights Coalition
EXHIBIT 37: Michael Alexander, President, Urban League of Portland
EXHIBIT 38: Nancy Campbell, Senior Judge, National Organization for
Women, Oregon
EXHIBIT 39: Nancy Golden, Chief Education Officer, Oregon Education
Investment Board
EXHIBIT 40-41: Patty Katz, Organizer, Portland Metro, Oregon Action
EXHIBIT 42: Stacy Michaelson, Association of Oregon Counties
EXHIBIT 43: Sybil Hebb, Oregon Law Center
01:57:46 Meeting Adjourned