

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGENCY PERFORMANCE & OPERATIONS

March 23, 1999 Hearing Room E

8:30 a.m. Tapes 39 - 40

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Jane Lokan, Chair

Rep. Kathy Lowe, Vice-Chair

Rep. Betsy Close

Rep. Dan Gardner

Rep. Tim Knopp

Rep. Jeff Kruse

Rep. Bob Montgomery

Rep. Kitty Piercy

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT: Pat Zwick, Administrator

Susan M. Pettey, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: SB 170 Public Hearing and Work Session SB 174 Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 175 Public Hearing and Work Session

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 39, A		

004	Chair Lokan	Opens meeting at 8:35 a.m., and opens public hearing on SB 170.
<u>SB 170 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
014	Pat Zwick	Summarizes provisions of SB 170.
031	Jon Mangis	Director, Department of Veterans Affairs. Speaks in support of SB 170. Describes process used to build Oregon Veterans Home in Wasco County.
085	Mangis	Continues testimony regarding eligibility requirements to reside in the Oregon Veterans Home. Describes efforts to build a second veterans home.
138	Rep. Close	Asks for clarification of certificate-of-need application process.
142	Mangis	Explains the Health Division application process. Explains that being a war veteran was a requirement to be eligible for residence in the Oregon Veterans Home.
156	Rep. Montgomery	Indicates support of SB 170. References SB 170, line 9, regarding "welfare of war veterans and their dependents." Suggests leaving "war veterans" out, to conform with current practice.
163	Mangis	Explains that legislation for the Oregon Veterans Home left the requirement for eligibility open.
<u>SB 170 WORK SESSION</u>		
182	Rep. Lowe	MOTION: Moves SB 170 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 8-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
		Chair Lokan The motion CARRIES. REP. LOKAN will lead discussion on the floor.
<u>SB 174 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		

201	Zwick	Summarizes provisions of SB 174.
216	Jon Mangis	Speaks in support of SB 174. Describes source of payments that support residents of Oregon Veteransí Home. Comments that the moneys in the Oregon Veteransí Home Account would pay for development, operation, and maintenance of each Oregon Veteransí Home.
264	Chair Lokan	Asks if payments are currently commingled.
268	Mangis	Describes tracking of funds.
312	Chair Lokan	Closes public hearing on SB 174, and opens work session.
<u>SB 174 WORK SESSION</u>		
325	Rep. Close	MOTION: Moves SB 174 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 8-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
	Chair Lokan	The motion CARRIES. REP. MONTGOMERY will lead discussion on the floor.
347	Chair Lokan	Closes work session on SB 174, and opens public hearing on SB 175.
<u>SB 175 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
348	Mangis	Speaks in support of SB 175. Explains the need to allow the Director of Veteransí Affairs to act as conservator for certain classes of persons.
415	Mangis	Discusses the differences in obtaining benefits and qualifying for benefits from the U.S. Department of Veteransí Affairs.
471	Mangis	Continues testimony. Provides examples of difficulty in obtaining benefits.
TAPE 40, B		

055	Rep. Lowe	Asks how the Department handles probate.
065	Mangis	Describes probate functions.
109	Rep. Close	Asks about accountability of conservatorship appointments delegated to the Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
146	Mangis	Describes appointment review process. Comments on audit reviews. Discusses necessity of serving veterans.
201	Chair Lokan	Closes public hearing on SB 175, and opens work session.
<u>SB 175 WORK SESSION</u>		
223	Rep. Lowe	MOTION: Moves SB 175 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 8-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
		Chair Lokan The motion CARRIES. REP. LOWE will lead discussion on the floor.
254	Chair Lokan	Closes work session on SB 175. Adjourns meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Susan M. Pettey, Pat Zwick,

Administrative Support Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A ñ (None submitted)