

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

April 9, 1999 Hearing Room E

8:15 a.m. Tapes 81 - 82

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Roger Beyer, Chair

Rep. Dan Gardner, Vice-Chair

Rep. Tim Knopp, Vice-Chair

Rep. Jason Atkinson

Rep. Bill Morrisette

Rep. Terry Thompson

Rep. Lynn Lundquist

STAFF PRESENT:

Keith Putman, Administrator

Frances Thomas, Administrative Support

MEASURES HEARD:

HB 2798 Public Hearing

SB 195 Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 3466 Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 3059 Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 3434 Public Hearing and Work Session

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 81, A		

001	Chair Beyer	Calls the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. and opens a public hearing on HB 2798.
<u>HB 2798 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
		Staff submits ñ1 amendment (EXHIBIT A).
005	Chair Beyer	Opens a Work Session on HB 2798.
008	Rep. Dan Gardner	House District 13. Testifies in support of HB 2798. Presents an overview.
034	Chair Beyer	States HB 2798 gives the appearance that unemployment insurance (UI) is a form of welfare payment.
042	Rep. Gardner	Responds that is not the case.
048	Steve Lanning	AFL-CIO. Testifies in support of HB 2798 (EXHIBIT B). Comments on the benefits of the bill.
060	Betsy Earls	Associated Oregon Industries. Testifies in opposition to HB 2798. States the cost of the bill would be great. Comments the bill would change the intentions of UI.
070	Chair Beyer	Closes the public hearing on HB 2798 and opens a public hearing on SB 195.
<u>SB 195 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
086	Keith Putman	Administrator. Presents an overview of SB 195.
100	Darren Bond	Director, Oregon State Treasury. Testifies in support of SB 195 (EXHIBIT C). Comments on the effects of the bill.
129	Fred Vanatta	Representing Liberty Northwest. Presents the ñ1 amendment to SB 195 (EXHIBIT D). Explains the amendment. States that the insurance commissionerís office is in agreement with the ñ1 amendment.
159	Chair Beyer	Close the public hearing on SB 195 and opens a work session.
<u>SB 195 WORK SESSION</u>		
165	Rep. Thompson	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 195-1 amendments dated 04/01/99.

		VOTE: 7-0
	Chair Beyer	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
175	Rep. Thompson	MOTION: Moves SB 195 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 7-0 AYE: 7 ñ Atkinson, Gardner, Knopp, Lundquist, Morrisette, Thompson, Beyer
	Chair Beyer	The motion CARRIES. REP. KNOPP will lead discussion on the floor.
195	Chair Beyer	Closes the work session on SB 195 and opens a public hearing on HB 3466.
<u>HB 3466 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
200	Putman	Presents overview. Summarizes HB 3466.
229	Robert Hastings	President, Architects Council of Oregon. Testifies in support of HB 3466 (EXHIBIT E). States the bill would define the scope of practice for architects. Comments on existing differences in opinions.
265	Hastings	Continues testimony in support of HB 3466.
309	Chair Beyer	Questions proposed amendments.
310	Steve Kafoury	Architects Council of Oregon. Responds the amendments are not complete.
327	Chair Beyer	States that HB 3466 could cause more confusion.
338	Hastings	Comments on the positive effects of HB 3466.
400	Kafoury	Discusses architectural licensure.

457	Kafoury	Comments on building code requirements.
487	Rep. Lundquist	Questions who possess the authority to make decisions about if building codes are being followed.
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000	Hastings	Responds it is the discretion of the inspector. Comments on occupancy limits.
035	Rep. Morrisette	Relates an example of a building in Springfield and asks if an architect would be required to work on the project.
040	Hastings	Responds affirmatively.
047	Rep. Morrisette	Questions at what point an architect would need to become involved.
050	Hastings	Responds it would depend on the usage of the building.
073	Hastings	States that companies that come from out-of-state to build must receive approval from state licensed architects or architects that have reciprocity with Oregon.
092	Chair Beyer	Suspends the public hearing on HB 3466 and opens a public hearing on HB 3059.
<u>HB 3059 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
100	Rep. Leslie Lewis	House District 29. Testifies in support of HB 3059. States the bill would require distributors of bottled products to report the amount bottled products distributed and the number of bottles returned. Comments the bill would help determine the amount of bottles that are being recycled. Comments on the amount of money that is not redeemed from bottle deposits.
211	Chair Beyer	Suspends the public hearing on HB 3059 and re-opens the public hearing on HB 3466.
<u>HB 3466 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
228	Jeanette Bartel	Oregon Board of Architect Examiners. Testifies on HB 3466 (EXHIBIT F). States that the board does not support the bill in current form. States the bill improperly changes the Oregon building code. Comments on the negative impact of HB 3466.
274	Joe Brewer	Administrator, Building Code Division. Testifies on HB 3466. Discusses current

		building codes.
291	Putman	Asks if architects must also sign off on buildings which have been signed off by engineers.
306	Bartel	Responds no.
310	Scott Barrie	Introduces Patrick Bridges, Oregon Building Industry Association. Testifies in opposition to HB 3466.
320	Patrick Bridges	Oregon Building Industry Association. Testifies in opposition to HB 3466. States the bill impacts current building codes. States that current statutes are clear and do not need to be changed.
368	Charles Gerkey	Architect, Corvallis. Testifies in support of HB 3466. States bill will clear confusing issues in industry.
402	Ron Bespflug	President, Building Code Services. Testifies in support of HB 3466. States HB 3466 will clarify requirements for consumers.
438	Chair Beyer	Closes the public hearing on HB 3466 and re-opens the public hearing on HB 3059.
<u>HB 3059 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
		Staff submits (EXHIBIT G) .
475	Mike Riley	Director, Recycling Team Bend. Testifies in support of HB 3059. Gives reasons why the bill could be beneficial.
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000	Riley	States that the deposits for beverage containers promote recycling. Explains the bill will affect public drop off centers, but it would not be a burden. States the bill would be a good source to track containers.
050	Rep. Thompson	Asks if bottles that are imported from other states will be tracked.
052	Riley	Responds that he is unsure how that will work.
057	Rep. Lundquist	Questions how non-deposit glass bottles would be excluded.

060	Riley	Responds it would be done through a sampling process.
070	Chair Beyer	Questions if the Recycling Team currently redeems aluminum cans.
075	Riley	Responds no.
081	Steve McCoid	Oregon Grocery Industry Association. Testifies in support of HB 3059. Explains the industry views HB 3059 as a positive issue. States the bill would help to compile hard data. States that residents from other states are coming into Oregon and redeeming deposits.
122	McCoid	Explains the container redemption process. States that distributors are profiting from containers that are not being returned.
151	Rep. Thompson	Asks how the coast could be impacted if people from the urban areas redeemed their deposits at the coast.
160	McCoid	Responds that HB 3059 would help determine the impact.
190	Paul Romain	Representing Oregon Beer and Wine Distributors Association. Testifies in opposition to HB 3059. Comments on current laws.
254	Romain	Explains the redemption process.
279	Romain	Discusses the history of bottle deposits. Explains the recycling system.
343	Romain	Explains distributor redemption system. States that container recovery is expensive.
373	Rep. Thompson	Comments on fluctuating costs.
384	Romain	States according to available figures, distributors on the coast have more bottles redeemed than sold.
410	Rep. Lundquist	Questions the cost figures between containers sold and redeemed.
434	Romain	Responds he is unsure.
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006	Sandra Bishop	Representing Container Recycling Inc. (CRINC). Testifies in opposition to HB 3059. Presents a video which explains the process of recycling beverage and

		food containers.
050	Bishop	Continues presenting the video.
113	Bishop	States that CRINC handles 55 percent of redeemable containers in Oregon. Presents figures of container history.
128	Rep. Lundquist	Comments on the original bottle bill.
135	Bishop	States the bill would be expensive to implement. States that distributors pay 7 million dollars per year to participate in bottle redemption.
160	Chair Beyer	Closes the public hearing on HB 3059 and opens a public hearing on HB 3434.
<u>HB 3434 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
170	Putman	Summarizes HB 3434 and submits (EXHIBIT H).
191	Lori Brocker	Oregon Newspapers Publishers Association. Testifies in opposition to HB 3434. States the bill would have an economic impact on newspapers around the state.
200	Bruce Tarbet	Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association. Testifies in opposition to HB 3434. Explains advantages of using newspapers over television. Provides benefits of having legal notices published in the newspaper.
241	Nancy Adams	Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association. Testifies in opposition to HB 3434. States that public notices are more accessible in newspapers. Comments on current law.
276	Sara Bentley	Publisher, Statesman Journal. Testifies in opposition to HB 3434. States that current law works well and does not need to be changed. States that readers have a hard time adjusting to change.
293	Joe Petchow	Publisher, Newberg Graphic. Testifies in opposition in HB 3434. Comments on small town newspapers.
330	Chair Beyer	States he will schedule another public hearing for HB 3434. Closes the public hearing on HB 3434 and adjourns the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A ñ HB 2798, -1 Amendment, Staff, 1 p

B ñ HB 2798, Written material, Steve Lanning, 2 p

C ñ SB 195, Written testimony, Darren Bond, 3 pp

D ñ SB 195, -1 Amendment, Fred Vanatta, 1 p

E ñ HB 3466, Written testimony, Robert Hastings, 6 pp

F ñ HB 3466, Written testimony, Jeanette Bartel, 1 p

G ñ HB 3059, Written material, Staff, 3 pp

H ñ HB 3434, Written material, Staff, 3 pp