HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

April 05, 1999 Hearing Room 350

1:00 p.m. Tape 34

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Jerry Krummel, Chair

Rep. Ryan Deckert

Rep. Bob Montgomery

Rep. Diane Rosenbaum

STAFF PRESENT: Jason Cody, Administrator

Annetta Mullins, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2762 ñ Public Hearing

HB 3279 ñ Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 3335 ñ Public Hearing

HB 3337 ñ Public Hearing

These minutes are in compliance with Senate and House Rules. Only text enclosed in quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the tapes.

TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments	
TAPE 34, A			
004	Chair Krummel	Calls meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. and opens the public hearing on HB 2762.	
HB 2762 ñ PUBLIC HEARING			

010	Chair Krummel	Closes the public hearing on HB 2762.			
011	Chair Krummel	Opens the public hearing on HB 3279.			
<u>НВ 3279 ñ</u>	PUBLIC HEARING				
015	Rep. Roger Beyer	District 28. Introduces Ken Hector and Jack Long.			
021	Jack Long	President, The Oregon Gardens. Submits packet of information on The Oregon Gardens (EXHIBIT A). Describes plans for The Oregon Garden and opportunities the gardens will provide for education and visitors.			
071	Long	Reviews Fact Sheet (EXHIBIT A, page 6).			
114	Long	Reviews summary (EXHIBIT A, page 1).			
132	Long	Explains pictures in packet (EXHIBIT A, pages 7-10).			
144	Rep. Montgomery	Asks what the duration of the funding will be.			
149	Long	Responds that the garden will never be completed, but once it is up and going they should not have a problem with funding.			
157	Rep. Montgomery	Asks if the funding request is for a total of \$1 million.			
157	Long	Responds that is correct.			
160	Rep. Rosenbaum	Asks what the average wage and benefit level will be.			
162	Long	Responds they currently have six people on staff. The lowest salary is \$36,000 and the salaries go up to about \$60,000. Adds that maintenance employee salaries will be considerably less, but they do intend to have reasonable living wage jobs.			
172	Ken Hector	Mayor, City of Silverton. Comments on environmental components of the garden. The city has concerns about water quality and preserving the streams, creeks and rivers. The city built a new wastewater plant to carry them into the next century but were advised by DEQ and EPA, as a result of changes in the Clean Water Act, they were deficient in some of the standards during the months from May to October. In November 1995 the city came to an agreement with The Oregon Garden Foundation that during those months they will use the treated wastewater for irrigation. The 30 acres of wetlands will be used for the polishing mechanism for wastewater.			

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206	Hector	Urges support of HB 3279. Asks if they have applied to Economic Development Department (EDD) for assistance. Explains they have enjoyed support from the state and federal government. This is simply the final funding mechanism to get through phase one.			
210	Rep. Montgomery				
212	Hector				
216	Bill Perry	Oregon Restaurant Association. Supports the project. Their organization has been involved in the project for over two years. Adds that these kinds of projects help the economic growth up and down the corridors.			
231	Chair Krummel	Closes the public hearing and opens the work session on HB 3279.			
<u>НВ 3279 ñ</u>	WORK SESSION				
243	Chair Krummel	Advises members that the bill does have subsequent referral to Ways and Means			
247	Rep. Montgomery	MOTION: Moves HB 3279 to the full committee with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means.			
269		VOTE: 3-0 EXCUSED: 1 - Rep. Deckert			
	Chair Krummel	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.			
		REP. KRUMMEL will lead discussion in full committee.			
286	Chair Krummel	Closes the work session on HB 3279 and opens a public hearing on HB 3335.			
HB 3335 ñ	PUBLIC HEARING	J.			
278	Chair Krummel	Closes the public hearing on B 3335 and opens a public hearing on HB 3337.			
НВ 3337 ñ	PUBLIC HEARING	J.			

Closes the public	hearing on HR	3337 and adjourns	meeting at 1:30 p.m	
Closes the public	incaring on 11D	3337 and adjourns	meeting at 1.50 p.m	٠.

Chair Krummel

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Annetta Mullins, Jason Cody,

Administrative Support Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A ñ HB 3279, information on The Oregon Gardens, Jack Long, 10 pp