HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES, ELECTIONS, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

July 24, 1999 Hearing Room D

12:10 a.m. Tape 169

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Mark Simmons, Chair

Rep. Bruce Starr

Rep. Randall Edwards

Rep. Kevin Mannix

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Rep. Richard Devlin

Rep. Roger Beyer

Rep. Dan Gardner

STAFF PRESENT: Cletus Moore, Administrator

Jennifer Peck, Administrative Support

MEASURES HEARD: SJR 15A Work Session

HB 3142 Work Session

SB 1337 Work Session

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 169, A		
000	Chair Simmons	Opens meeting at 12:16 a.m. and opens work session on SJR 15.
SJR 15 WORK SESSION		
005	Rep. EDWARDS:	MOTION: Moves SJR 15A be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.

006	Chair Simmons	Comments on includes further language for statute. Explains the legislative session year will not begin until February.
015	Rep. Mannix	States he will move the bill but may not vote for it on the House floor. Comments on the language
017	Chair Simmons	Clarifies this concerns annual sessions. Explains the amendments that are being considered.
021	Rep. Edwards	Asks about language concerning January.
024	Chair Simmons	Discusses changing the language of the starting date.
028	Cletus Moore	Administrator. Clarifies which changes would be made.
033	Greg Chaimov	Legislative Counsel. Clarifies possible amendments may effect HB 3142.
034	Rep. Mannix	Asks if there is any constitutional or statutory requirement for the Governor to make a speech to the Assembly in February. Comments they could always adjust statutes.
037	Chaimov	Responds there is a requirement in the constitution that the Speaker announce the Governorís votes in front of the Assembly and the Governor takes office at that time.
045	Chair Simmons	Clarifies there is no conflict between this bill and that proceeding.
046	Chaimov	Confirms that is correct.
047	Rep. Mannix	Comments wording should refer to January. States the Legislature will need to convene to elect the Speaker.
051	Rep. Starr	Asks what problem there is with the Governor taking office when the Legislature convenes.
053	Chair Simmons	Explains the current Governor would have one month longer of service.
059		Discussion of timing to change office.
063	Chaimov	Explains with this measure legislators would take office in January and the session would not begin until February.

068	Rep. Mannix	Comments that would be fine to allow the legislators to organize prior to the Governorís swearing in.
071	Rep. Edwards	Asks if the swearing in ceremony would count as days in session.
075	Chaimov	Clarifies it would not count as a meeting day of session.
078	Rep. Edwards	Clarifies it would be in effect for the next May primary.
080	Chair Simmons	Comments that passing out SB 1337 tonight would be on the same ballot as this issue, which may set this measure up for failure.
082	Rep. Mannix	States he will oppose the measure on the floor.
093	Chair Simmons	Discusses a special election and if this bill could be voted on at that time.
103	Rep. Starr	Suggests putting it up for special election this November.
105	Rep. Mannix	Comments on the frustration people may have in November due to already having a number of issues.
109	Rep. Starr	Requests moving the bill.
110	Chair Simmons	Suggests using the primary election date.
117	Rep. Edwards	States term limits may be considered in November.
123	Rep. Mannix	Comments on the next cycle. States it would be good to have it on the primary ballot to give time to plan for it.
129	Chair Simmons	States it has failed in the past, but only very narrowly.
		VOTE: 4-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 3 - Beyer, Devlin, Gardner
	Chair Simmons	The motion CARRIES.

		Rep. Edwards will lead discussion on the floor.
145	Chair Simmons	Closes work session on SJR 15 and opens work session on HB 3142.
HB 3142	WORK SESSION	
		Staff submits (EXHIBIT A).
146	Chair Simmons	Comments on the ñ1 amendments to HB 3142.
148	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3142 amendments dated 7/11/99.
	I	VOTE: 4-0
	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
155	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves HB 3142 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 4-0
	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
		Rep. Edwards will lead discussion on the floor.
157	Rep. Starr	Comments on the timing of getting this measure through the Senate before Sine Die.
167	Chair Simmons	Comments of time to get bill through the chambers. Closes work session on HB 3142 and comments that they did not pass out a pair of bills to meet this need.
174	Rep. Mannix	Suggests if the Senate does not pass out the bill, legislators will have time to make provisions in case the measure does not pass both chambers.
		Opens work session on SB 1337.

SB 1337 WORK SESSION

190	Rep. Starr	Suggests discussion on SB 1337.
192	Rep. Mannix	Comments he will be making a courtesy vote to get the measure to the floor because it may affect the referendum process. Prefers to keep the current referendum scheme in place.
197	Rep. Starr	Comments on Mannixís wording.
203	Rep. Mannix	Explains his word choice.
205	Chair Simmons	Recognizes Rep. Al Kingís presence.
214	Rep. Mannix	Comments on referrals.
228	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 1337 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 4-0
	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
		REP. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.
228	Rep. Starr	Closes work session on SB 1337 and adjourns meeting at 12:34 a.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A ñ HB 3142, -1 amendments, staff, 1 p

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES, ELECTIONS, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

July 24, 1999 House Floor Side Bar

3:11 P.M. Tapes 170

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Mark Simmons, Chair

Rep. Richard Devlin, Vice-Chair Rep. Bruce Starr, Vice-Chair Rep. Roger Beyer Rep. Randall Edwards Rep. Dan Gardner Rep. Kevin Mannix

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT: Cletus B. Moore, Jr., Administrator

Kevin E. Wells, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: SCR 16 Work Session

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 170, A		
002	Chair Simmons	Calls the meeting to order at 3:11 p.m. Opens Work Session SCR 16.
SCR 16 WORK SESSION		

005	Cletus Moore	Explains that SCR 16 sets July 24, 1999 at 3:15 p.m. as the date and time for <i>Sine Die</i> of the 70 th Oregon State Legislative Session.
011	Rep. BEYER:	MOTION: Moves SCR 16 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.
		VOTE: 7-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
	Chair Simmons	The motion CARRIES.
		REP. SIMMONS will lead discussion on the floor.
021	Chair Simmons	Adjourns the meeting at 3:13 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Kevin E. Wells, Cletus B. Moore, Jr.,

Administrative Support Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

No Exhibits