

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS

July 10, 1999 Hearing Room D

1:20 p.m. Tape 94

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Charles Starr, Chair

Sen. Dukes, Vice-Chair

Sen. Marilyn Shannon

Sen. Veral Tarno

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Thomas Wilde

STAFF PRESENT: Brian E. Smith, Administrator

Susan M. Pettey, Administrative Support

MEASURES HEARD: SB 1336 Public Hearing and Work Session

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 85, A		
004	Chair Starr	Opens meeting at 1:20 p.m., and opens public hearing on SB 1336.
<u>SB 1336 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
011	David Nebel	Oregon Law Center. Takes neutral position on SB 1336. Proposes placement of additional causes for separation/dissolution into the Covenant Marriage Act. Expresses concern that parties may choose not to participate in counseling.
037	Nebel	Refers to SB 318B relative to the definition of abuse under ORS 107.705. Indicates that SB 318B deletes "serious" on page 3, line 30 of SB 1336. Comments on the legal ramifications of retaining this language.

064	Chair Starr	Indicates there is no provision that addresses when one covenant marriage partner refuses counseling. Favors an exception be included that does not reduce the waiting period for dissolution. Commends Nebel for his efforts regarding SB 1336.
109	Sen. Shannon	Discusses time restraints relative to proposed changes. Submits document testimony entitled "Covenant Marriage Talking Points" (EXHIBIT A).
111	Sen. Starr	Closes public hearing on SB 1336, and opens work session.
<u>SB 1336 WORK SESSION</u>		
118	Sen. Shannon	MOTION: Moves SB 1336 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 3-0 AYE: Starr, Shannon, Tarno EXCUSED: 2 - Dukes, Wilde
	Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES. SEN. SHANNON will lead discussion on the floor.
129	Chair Starr	Closes work session on SB 1336. Adjourns the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A ñ SB 1336, written testimony, Sen. Shannon, 2 pp.