

PUBLIC HEARING AND WORK SESSION: SB 530

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SENATE REVENUE COMMITTEE

MARCH 9, 1999 - 3:00 P.M. - HEARING ROOM A - STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Senator Randy Miller, Chair

Senator Thomas Wilde, Vice Chair

Senator Tom Hartung

Senator Charles Starr

Members Excused: Senator Lee Beyer

Staff: Ed Waters, Economist, Legislative Revenue Office

Steve Meyer, Economist, Legislative Revenue Office

Joan Green, Committee Assistant

Witnesses: Senator Gene Timms, District 30

Senator Ted Ferrioli, District 28

Representative Tom Butler, District 60

Karen Whitaker, State Office of Rural Health

Sandra Reese, Lower Umpqua Hospital

Janet Patin, M.D., Dunes Family Health Care

Dale Harris, M.D., Dunes Family Health Care

Bruce Jensen, Holy Rosary Medical Center

Ed Patterson, Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems

Charles Hoffman, M.D. Oregon Medical Association

Scott Gallant, Oregon Medical Association

Art Keil, Oregon Association of Naturopathic Physicians

Brian DeLashmutt, Oregon Nurses Association

Jeff Watkins, Oregon Society of Physician Assistants

Jack Kane, Oregon Osteopathic and Physicians and Surgeons Association

Jody Fischer, Oregon Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Jane Myers, Oregon Dental Association

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005 Chair Miller Meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.

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016 Ed Waters Described SB 530, which would remove the deadline for the new applications for the rural medical practice income tax credit. Distributed revenue impact statement. (Exhibit 1)

039 Karen Whitaker Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 2)

110 Sen. Timms Spoke in support of the measure.

164 Chair Miller Asked Sen. Timms if he would support the proposed (-1) amendment to expand the credit to Naturopathic Physicians. (Exhibit 3)

166 Sen. Timms Has not looked at that issue; it would be my desire not to broaden the scope, but rather narrow it.

180 Sen. Ferrioli Spoke in support of the measure.

234	Chair Miller	Asked Sen. Ferrioli if he would support the proposed (-1) amendment to expand the credit to Naturopathic Physicians, as a co-sponsor of the measure. (Exhibit 3)
236	Sen. Ferrioli	The tax credit should be reserved for the health care practitioners that will have the most benefit to the community; to maintain the creditability of the program.
261	Rep. Butler	Spoke in support of the measure.
325	Vice Chair Wilde	Asked Rep. Butler if he would support the proposed (-1) amendment to expand the credit to Naturopathic Physicians. (Exhibit 3)
331	Rep. Butler	Does not feel qualified to make any substantive testimony to expansion of the tax credit to alternative medicines.
349	Whitaker	Expanded on Sen. Timms comments on retention of qualified physicians in rural areas.
361	Vice Chair Wilde	What is the expectancy of a physician remaining in a community; are there numbers?
367	Whitaker	Retention is critical; quoted statistics. Continued with testimony, (Page 2, Exhibit 2).
446	Whitaker	Continued with testimony, (Page 2, Exhibit 2).

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015	Whitaker	Continued with testimony, (Page 2, Exhibit 2).
050	Whitaker	Continued with testimony, (Page 3, Exhibit 2).
084	Vice Chair Wilde	What hospital facilities are available in Umatilla?
098	Whitaker	There are two hospitals in Umatilla County, one in Pendleton and one in Hermiston. Once a rural hospital closes they don't reopen.

127	Chair Miller	How is rural practice defined?
129	Whitaker	Rural practice is defined in the provided materials, (Page 5, Exhibit 2).
138	Chair Miller	Does statute or rule define rural practice?
142	Whitaker	It is defined by rule.
152	Chair Miller	How was the 30,000-population figure defining rural practice arrived at?
155	Whitaker	Oregon modified the Washington definition by classifying rural into three different degrees.
174	Sandra Reese	Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 4)
234	Janet Patin	Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 5)
277	Dale Harris	Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 5)
349	Chair Miller	How much of the decision to go to a rural area, and stay, is influenced by the \$5,000 tax credit?
368	Harris	The tax credit is only one of many factors that influence decisions; it is a way to initially attract doctors to a rural area.
405	Patin	The credit is more a retention tool.

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011	Bruce Jensen	Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 6)
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066	Ed Patterson	Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 7)
100	Scott Gallant	Distributed the (-2) amendment and requested the Committee's consideration. (Exhibit 8)
107	Charles Hoffman	Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 9)
165	Art Keil	Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 10)
		Spoke in support of the (-1) amendment, which would expand the tax credit to include naturopaths. (Exhibit 3)
230	Vice Chair Wilde	Is the (-1) amendment absolutely essential in order to serve the rural communities effectively, (Exhibit 3)?
253	Keil	The incentive is the same for a medical doctor as it is for the naturopath.
263	Brian DeLashmutt	Spoke in support of the measure.
283	Vice Chair Wilde	Requested Mr. DeLashmutt's response to the (-2) amendment, (Exhibit 8).
282	DeLashmutt	Would be supportive from the explanation given, but would need to review the amendment further before final support.
285	Jeff Watkins	Spoke in support of the measure. For the record, although the Oregon Society of Physicians Assistants are not specifically listed in SB 530, B4 does reference ORS 442.560, which is where the organization is specifically listed; also in B6 of the (-2) amendment, (Exhibit 8).
319	Jack Kane	Spoke in support of the measure.
326	DeLashmutt	Spoke in full support of the (-2) amendment, (Exhibit 8)..

330	Chair Miller	Are the nurses incorporated in β4 of SB 530, as referenced by Mr. Watkins?
334	DeLashmutt	Yes, as nurse practitioners; it is a triple cross-reference to the section referenced.
338	Jody Fischer	Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 11).
356	Jane Meyer	Spoke in support of the measure.

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389	Vice Chair Wilde	MOTION: MOVED (-2) AMENDMENTS TO SB 530 BE ADOPTED.
417	Chair Miller	Section 6 of the (-2) amendment includes no new group and excludes no current group?
419	Gallant	Yes, it would extend the applicability of all those who are currently receiving it.
425	Vice Chair Wilde	Referenced line 1 of the (-2) amendment; what does it do?
435	DeLashmutt	ORS 316.144 is the new β6.
448	VOTE	HEARING NO OBJECTION, THE CHAIR SO ORDERED ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.
451	Vice Chair Wilde	MOTION: MOVED SB 530, AS AMENDED, TO THE SENATE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS AS AMENDED RECOMMENDATION.
458	VOTE	<p>ROLL CALL VOTE: MOTION PASSES 4-0-1</p> <p>SENATORS VOTING AYE: Hartung, Starr, Wilde, Chair Miller</p> <p>SENATORS EXCUSED: Beyer</p>

Sen. Timms will carry the bill.

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041 Steve Meyer Described HB 2052, which restores inadvertently omitted language by the 1997 Measure 50 legislation affecting K-12 schools. Distributed House staff measure summary, revenue and fiscal impact statements. (Exhibit 12)

A technical error was identified that should be corrected. The House chose not to correct it in this bill.

092 Vice Chair Wilde Requested that an amendment be drafted dealing with the technical error.

097 Chair Miller Meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Submitted by, Reviewed by,

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Exhibit Summary:

1. SB 530, Waters, Revenue impact statement, 3 pages
2. SB 530, Whitaker, Written testimony, 48 pages
3. SB 530, Senator Wilde, (-1) amendment, (DJ/ps) 02/23/99, 2 pages
4. SB 530, Reese, Written testimony, 2 pages
5. SB 530, Doctors Patin and Harris, Written testimony, 1 page
6. SB 530, Jensen, Written testimony, 1 page
7. SB 530, Patterson, Written testimony, 2 pages
8. SB 530, Gallant, (-2) amendment, (DJ/ps) 02/24/99, 2 pages
9. SB 530, Hoffman, Written testimony, 4 pages
10. SB 530, Keil, Written testimony, 4 pages
11. SB 530, Fischer, Written testimony, 1 page

12. HB 2052, Meyer, House staff measure summary, revenue and fiscal impact statements, 3 pages