

PUBLIC HEARING AND WORK SESSION: SB 965

WORK SESSION: HB 2052, HB 2136

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SENATE REVENUE COMMITTEE

MAY 17, 1999 - 3:00 P.M. - HEARING ROOM A - STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Senator Randy Miller, Chair

Senator Thomas Wilde, Vice Chair

Senator Lee Beyer

Members Excused: Senator Tom Hartung

Senator Charles Starr

Staff: Paul Warner, Legislative Revenue Officer

Lizbeth Martin-Mahar, Economist, Legislative Revenue Office

Ed Waters, Economist, Legislative Revenue Office

Joan Green, Committee Assistant

Witnesses: Dave Harman, Harney District Hospital

Ed Patterson, Oregon Association of Hospital and Health Systems

Gil Riddell, Associated Oregon Counties

Gwen Dayton, Oregon Health Care Association

Jim Carlson, Oregon Health Care Association

Senator Eugene Timms, Senate District 30

Jim Markee, Oregon Collectors Association

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- 005 Chair Miller Meeting called to order at 3:09 p.m. as a sub-committee, with Chair Miller present, for the purposes of receiving testimony. Full Committee convened at 3:19 p.m. with Sen. Beyer and Vice Chair Wilde in attendance.
- 008 Chair Miller HB 2079 will not be heard today; it will be heard on Thursday, May 20. When a quorum is present the Committee will rescind the vote by which HB 2052 was passed to the floor; the issue in that measure has been addressed in SB 123.

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- 030 Dave Harman Presented testimony in support of measure. (Exhibit 1)
- 095 Ed Patterson Spoke in support of the measure.
- 109 Gil Riddell Offered a friendly amendment to the measure, which would allow a local option; essentially a sign-off by the county governing body to this exemption. This measure deals primarily with local revenues and if a situation where physicians are needed should be present the local county governing body should be supportive.
- 126 Sen. Eugene Timms Spoke in support of the measure.
- 128 Chair Miller Mr. Riddell has offered an amendment for individual counties to exercise the option as to whether or not the policy is accepted. Perhaps this could be addressed on the House side.
- 161 Patterson "I think the amendment would be appropriate, as most small local county governing bodies are supportive of their hospital districts."
- 174 Staff Distributed revenue impact statement. (Exhibit 2)

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176 Vice Chair Wilde MOTION: MOVED SB 965 TO THE SENATE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION.

180 VOTE
ROLL CALL VOTE: MOTION PASSES 3-0-0
SENATORS VOTING AYE: Beyer, Wilde, Chair Miller
SENATORS EXCUSED: Hartung, Starr
Sen. Timms will carry the bill.

WORK SESSION ON HB 2052

186 Chair Miller SB 123 took care of provisions provided for in HB 2052.

194 Chair Miller MOTION: MOVED TO RESCIND THE VOTE WHEREBY HB 2052 WAS PASSED TO THE SENATE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION. HEARING NO OBJECTION, THE CHAIR SO ORDERED.

198 Chair Miller MOTION: MOVED HB 2052 BE LAID ON THE TABLE. HEARING NO OBJECTION, THE CHAIR SO ORDERED.

WORK SESSION ON HB 2136

214 Ed Waters Reviewed public hearing and work session on May 10 for HB 2136. Concerns were expressed by the Oregon Collectors Association about §10, page 8, which related to the Department of Revenue's authority to collect certain debts from "quasi" State agencies. No contrary opinions to the language in the current bill have been received.

237 Chair Miller Mr. Markee had raised concerns with §10, but it is my understanding that the bill, as written, is ready to go.

245 Jim Markee Spoke to concerns raised in the May 10 hearing and the result of meetings with representatives from the State Accident Insurance Fund (SAIF) and Oregon Health Sciences University (OHSU). .

The Oregon Collectors Association does not oppose the Department of Revenue collecting for SAIF and OHSU, as provided for in §10, (b), page 8, lines 16-17 of the

measure, but would oppose the Department collecting for local governments as provided for in §10, (c), page 8, lines 18-19.

- 271 Chair Miller If lines 18-19 on page 8 were deleted you would have no objections?
- 272 Markee Concurred.
- 278 Sen. Beyer Why are lines 18-19 in the measure?
- 281 Susan Browning Lines 18-19 reflect a recent relationship with the Department of Revenue and the Department of Corrections. Explained the supervision and collection process for "community-based" parolees through intergovernmental agreements. This is money owed the State, but the parolees are being supervised and the collections are taking place at a county level.
- The "arms-length" relationship, although it is still parolees, raised the question for the Department as to whether this is an appropriate debt collection for the Department to be involved in.
- 310 Sen. Beyer These are people who have been in the corrections system and are moving out?
- 313 Browning Yes, as I understand it.
- 324 Sen. Beyer Are these restitution payments that are being collected?
- 325 Browning "As I understand it the parolees pay their supervision fees, there could be a variety of expenses related to their parole environment."
- 329 Sen. Beyer It is money that the State would pay the counties to provide that service?
- 330 Browning I believe so.
- 332 Sen. Beyer Does this also apply to people who are sentenced to less than a year and serve their time in a county facility?
- 336 Browning Uncertain.

362	Chair Miller	MOTION: MOVED BY CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT ON LINE 17, PAGE 8 OF HB 2136 THAT "OR" BE DELETED AND (c), LINES 18-19, PAGE 8 BE DELETED. HEARING NO OBJECTION, THE CHAIR SO ORDERED.
383	Vice Chair Wilde	"For future sessions as SAIF migrates away from the State that they handle their own collections and not use the Department of Revenue and questioned when OHSU will be independent enough to deal with these things on their own."
403	Vice Chair Wilde	MOTION: MOVED HB 2136, AS AMENDED, TO THE SENATE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS AS AMENDED RECOMMENDATION.
407	VOTE	<p>ROLL CALL VOTE: MOTION PASSES 3-0-1</p> <p>SENATORS VOTING AYE: Beyer, Wilde, Chair Miller</p> <p>SENATORS EXCUSED: Hartung, Starr</p> <p>Sen. Hartung will carry the bill.</p>
415	Staff	Distributed the Department of Transportation's response to the issues raised at the May 3 joint meeting of the Senate Revenue and Transportation meeting, as requested by the Chair. (Exhibit 3)
421	Chair Miller	Meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

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Exhibit Summary:

1. SB 965, Harman, Written testimony, 2 pages
2. SB 965, Martin-Mahar, Revenue impact statement, 1 page

3. Informational, Yates, Response to Committee, submitted by Crunican, 20 pages