

SENATE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ELECTIONS

March 11, 1999 Hearing Room B

4:30 p.m. Tape 28

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Charles Starr, Chair

Sen. Randy Miller, Vice-Chair

Sen. Lee Beyer

Sen. Neil Bryant

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Kate Brown

STAFF PRESENT: Brian E. Smith, Administrator

Rachel E. Halupowski, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: Drafting and Measure Introduction Requests

HB 2274 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 28, A		
000	Chair Starr	Opens meeting at 4:30 p.m. and opens work session on drafting and measure introduction requests.
<u>DRAFTING AND MEASURE INTRODUCTION REQUESTS</u>		
005	Vice-Chair Miller	MOTION: Moves LC's: 3204 dated 2/4/99 and 3922 dated 3/1/99 BE INTRODUCED as committee bills, and drafting and introduction request from Sen. Brown BE APPROVED.
		VOTE: 4-0 EXCUSED: 1 ñ Brown

	Chair Starr	<p>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</p> <p>LC 3204 is introduced as SB 1288.</p> <p>LC 3922 is introduced as SB 1289.</p>
011	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens public hearing on HB 2274.
<u>HB 2274 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
025	Brian E. Smith	Committee Administrator. Explains HB 2274 would make all legislation passed effective January 1, except for bills with emergency clauses.
031	Kirk Hall	Chief Executive Officer, Oregon State Bar Professional Liability Fund. Presents (EXHIBIT A) . Supports HB 2274. States HB 2274 will eliminate the current system of enacting legislation 90 days after the end of session. States it is difficult for people to know when new laws will be effective. States it is difficult for the public, who may need to consult lawyers, to understand when new laws come into play. Believes HB 2274 will save the public money.
070	Chair Starr	Closes the public hearing and opens work session.
<u>HB 2274 WORK SESSION</u>		
072	Sen. Beyer	Asks if the bill could be written to include a specified time of law enactment, other than the January 1 st date.
078	Sen. Bryant	States there is the right to add emergency clauses.
084	Sen. Beyer	Asks if there would need to be a date specified if a special session enacted the law.
090	Vice-Chair Miller	States not only special session, but annual session bills would need to specify dates or HB 2274 would need to be amended.
099	Hall	States the effective date of most laws of the session are typically enacted by September or October. States special sessions usually put in effective dates.
109	Sen. Beyer	Asks if the intent of HB 2274 would be altered if, in line 5, the words "even numbered" were deleted.
112	Hall	States he has no objections, but he suggests checking with the sponsor of the bill.

115	Sen. Bryant	States the committee could change HB 2274 to cover special sessions and send it back to the house.
138	Sen. Beyer	MOTION: Moves TO ADOPT HB 2274 ñ1 amendments dated 3/15/99.
		VOTE: 4-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 1 ñ Brown
	Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES.
145	Sen. Beyer	MOTION: Moves HB 2274 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 4-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 1 ñ Brown
	Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES. Sen. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.
147	Chair Starr	Closes the work session and adjourns the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Rachel E. Halupowski, Brian E. Smith,
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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A ñ HB 2274, written testimony, Kirk Hall, 3 pp