

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ELECTIONS**

**March 9, 1999 Hearing Room B**

**4:30 p.m. Tapes 26 - 27**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Charles Starr, Chair**

**Sen. Randy Miller, Vice-Chair**

**Sen. Kate Brown**

**Sen. Neil Bryant**

**MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Lee Beyer**

**STAFF PRESENT: Brian E. Smith, Administrator**

**Rachel E. Halupowski, Administrative Support**

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: SJR 37 Public Hearing and Work Session**

**Drafting and Measure Introduction Requests**

**Executive Appointments**

**Coastal Salmon Restoration and Production Task Force**

**Commission for Women**

**Oregon State Board of Nursing**

**Physical Therapist Licensing Board**

**SCR 2 Public Hearing and Work Session**

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
<b>TAPE 26, A</b>		
000	Chair Starr	Opens meeting at 4:36 p.m. and opens public hearing on SJR 37.

**SJR 37 PUBLIC HEARING**

007	Sen. David Nelson	Senate District 29. Explains SJR 37 is a resolution to recognize and encourage citizens of the state to join in the observation of rural communities by declaring March 12 <sup>th</sup> , 1999, Rural Communities Day. Asks the committee to consider passage of SJR 37.
015	Vice-Chair Miller	Asks what the significance of March 12 <sup>th</sup> is.
016	Sen. Nelson	States the Rural Development Initiative is incorporated in an effort by the rural areas to become more active in state politics and show their needs to the legislature. States he would like to thank the staff for the quick turn-around time in scheduling a public hearing for SJR 37.
027	Chair Starr	Closes public hearing and opens work session.

**SJR 37 WORK SESSION**

030	Vice-Chair Miller	<b>MOTION: Moves SJR 37 be sent to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 2 - Beyer, Bryant</b>
	Chair Starr	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>  <b>Sen. NELSON will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
046	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens work session on drafting and measure introductions.

**DRAFTING AND MEASURE INTRODUCTIONS**

047	Vice-Chair Miller	<b>MOTION: Moves LC's: 3921 dated 3/2/99, 3393-1 and 4088 dated 3/1/99, and 3974 dated 3/1/99 BE INTRODUCED as committee bills.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b>

		<p><b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b></p> <p><b>EXCUSED: 2 - Beyer, Bryant</b></p>
	<b>Chair Starr</b>	<p><b>The motion CARRIES.</b></p> <p><b>LC 3921 is introduced as SB 1285.</b></p> <p><b>LC 3393-1 is introduced as SB 1286.</b></p> <p><b>LC 4088 is introduced as SB 1283.</b></p> <p><b>LC 3974 is introduced as SB 1284.</b></p>
<b>060</b>	<b>Vice-Chair Miller</b>	<p><b>MOTION: Moves LC 2598 dated 3/2/99 BE INTRODUCED as a committee bill.</b></p>
		<p><b>VOTE: 4-0</b></p> <p><b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b></p> <p><b>EXCUSED: 1 ñ Beyer</b></p>
	<b>Chair Starr</b>	<p><b>The motion CARRIES.</b></p> <p><b>LC 2598 is introduced as SB 833.</b></p>
<b>070</b>	<b>Vice-Chair Miller</b>	<p><b>MOTION: Moves drafting and introduction requests from Sen. Brown, Sen. Lim/Sen. Gordly, and Sen. Yih BE APPROVED.</b></p>
		<p><b>VOTE: 4-0</b></p> <p><b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b></p> <p><b>EXCUSED: 1 ñ Beyer</b></p>
	<b>Chair Starr</b>	<p><b>The motion CARRIES.</b></p>
<b>092</b>	<b>Chair Starr</b>	<p>Closes work session and opens public hearing for executive appointments on Coastal Salmon Restoration and Production Task Force.</p>

**EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS ñ COASTAL SALMON RESTORATION AND PRODUCTION TASK FORCE**

099		Staff presents <b>(EXHIBIT A)</b> .
100	Dale Buck	Explains reasons he is qualified and wants to work on the commission. Explains he has been a dairy farmer in Tillamook County since 1967. States he is currently working with the commission and he was asked to serve on the task force as an agricultural resource.
133	Vice-Chair Miller	Asks if he has any progress to report regarding the work of this task force.
139	Buck	States the task force is drafting letters to their Senate Committee. States the task force has been talking about the hatchery program, the conservation reserve, and the enhancement program. Believes progress is being made, but he has no specifics at this time.
161		Staff presents <b>(EXHIBIT B)</b> .
162	Chair Starr	States Stan Bunn is a reappointment and has waived his appearance. Asks for any discussion on his reappointment. Closes the public hearing and opens work session.
170	Sen. Brown	<b>MOTION: Moves the appointment of Dale Buck and the reappointment of Stan Bunn to the Coastal Salmon Restoration and Production Task Force to the floor with the recommendation that the appointments be confirmed en bloc.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 4-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 ñ Beyer</b>
	Chair Starr	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>  <b>Sen. BRYANT will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
192	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens public hearing on the Commission for Women.

**EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS ñ COMMISSION FOR WOMEN**

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189		Staff presents ( <b>EXHIBIT C</b> ).
190	Sonja Svenson	Presents ( <b>EXHIBIT D</b> ). Explains reasons she is qualified and wants to work on the commission. States the commission can provide the linkage between a recognized need in the work force and talented, skilled women. States she brings extensive knowledge of the educational system in Oregon, as well as training programs and job placement resources.
208	Sen. Bryant	States she is a grant writer and asks if she is willing to use those skills for the Women's Commission.
211	Svenson	States that is her intention.
215	Vice-Chair Miller	Believes it is encouraging for organizations to be non-profit and hopes she will utilize her skills in this arena. States the Commission for Women knows how to ask for funding.
232	Svenson	Replies she will utilize her skills.
234	Chair Starr	Closes public hearing and opens work session.
<b>236</b>	<b>Vice-Chair Miller</b>	<b>MOTION: Moves the appointment of Sonja Svenson to the Commission for Women to the floor with the recommendation that the appointment be confirmed.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 4-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 ñ Beyer</b>
	<b>Chair Starr</b>	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>  <b>Sen. BRYANT will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
245	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens public hearing on the Oregon State Board of Nursing.
<b><u>EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS ñ OREGON STATE BOARD OF NURSING</u></b>		
249		Staff presents ( <b>EXHIBIT E</b> ).

250	Dianne Sjobeck	Presents <b>(EXHIBIT F)</b> . Explains reasons she is qualified and wants to work on the commission. States long-term care needs are growing rapidly and that is why she made the move from hospital nursing to long-term care. States she has spent four years as a resident care manager in a skilled rehabilitation unit and three years as a resident care manager in an intermediate care facility. Believes she can bring to the nursing commission an objective long-term care perspective.
300	Chair Starr	Calls Peggy Yeats to testify.
306		Staff presents <b>(EXHIBIT G)</b> .
307	Peggy Yeats	Explains reasons she is qualified and wants to work on the commission. States she has 40 years of nursing experience. States she is presently a nursing executive in an acute care facility. States she is concerned for the safety of consumers' health care. States the policy decisions from the board impact the composition, supply, and the quality of the nursing work force in Oregon. States she wants to make sure there are enough qualified nursing providers to meet the needs of the citizens of Oregon.
358	Chair Starr	Closes public hearing and opens work session.
<b>360</b>	<b>Sen. Bryant</b>	<b>MOTION: Moves the appointments of Dianne Sjobeck and Peggy Yeats to the Oregon State Board of Nursing to the floor with the recommendation that the appointments be confirmed en bloc.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 4-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 n Beyer</b>
	<b>Chair Starr</b>	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>  <b>Sen. BRYANT will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
372	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens public hearing on the Physical Therapist Licensing Board.
<b><u>EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS n PHYSICAL THERAPIST LICENSING BOARD</u></b>		
378		Staff presents <b>(EXHIBIT H)</b> .
379	Jerry Nickell	Physical Therapist, Director, Rehabilitation Services, St. Elizabeth Hospital,

		Baker City, Oregon. Explains reasons he is qualified and wants to work on the commission. States he would like to expand his horizons on the political field. States he is an advocate for the oppressed. Believes the position is a challenge. States the work of the physical therapist is changing and he would like to see the physical therapist as a better influence in the community.
<b>TAPE 27, A</b>		
027	Chair Starr	Asks if he is familiar with the physical therapy program at Pacific University.
028	Nickell	States he has been in contact with them and his hospital is a satellite site for their students.
031	Vice-Chair Miller	Asks if he qualifies for the tax credit for working in a remote/rural community.
035	Nickell	States he is not sure he is qualified. States the diversity between the salary caps are changing and his community is on a more level playing ground than in the past.
041	Vice-Chair Miller	States the reason for the tax credit is to get the certain practitioners into more remote areas. Asks if his community has all the physical therapists needed.
043	Nickell	States he is now getting unsolicited resumes. States there are more physical therapists out of work than in the past.
053	Chair Starr	Closes public hearing and opens work session.
<b>061</b>	<b>Sen. Miller</b>	<b>MOTION: Moves the appointment of Jerry Nickell to the Physical Therapist Licensing Board to the floor with the recommendation that the appointment be confirmed.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 4-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 ñ Beyer</b>
	<b>Chair Starr</b>	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>  <b>Sen. BRYANT will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
080	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens public hearing on SCR 2.

**SCR 2 PUBLIC HEARING**

085	Brian E. Smith	Committee Administrator. Explains SCR 2 would memorialize Reverend Walt McGettigan. States the Reverend was instrumental in establishing the Senior and Disabled Services Division and served on the Governor's Commission on Aging.
095	Phyllis Rand	Past Chair, Governor's Commission on Senior Services. Presents <b>(EXHIBIT I)</b> . Supports SCR 2. States it was Reverend McGettigan's idea to bring together the Federal Older Americans Act, Oregon Project Independence, and Medicaid long-term care programs under a single agency. States he served as the first chair of the Governor's Commission on Senior Services.
124	Marylou Ritter	Director, Washington County Department of Aging and Veteran Services. States she was hired by Reverend McGettigan 12 years ago. States he was a man of vision from Washington County. States the Washington County Board of Commissioners declared May 25 through June 3, 1997, as Walt McGettigan Week for his contribution to the State of Oregon and Washington County.
153	Chair Starr	Closes hearing and opens work session.

**SCR 2 WORK SESSION**

155	Vice-Chair Miller	<b>MOTION: Moves SCR 2 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 4-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 ñ Beyer</b>
	Chair Starr	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b> <b>Sen. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
164	Chair Starr	Closes work session and adjourns meeting at 5:17 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,



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**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

- A ñ Executive Appointments, interest form, staff, 5 pp**
- B ñ Executive Appointments, interest form, staff, 5 pp**
- C ñ Executive Appointments, interest form, staff, 6 pp**
- D ñ Executive Appointments, written testimony, Sonja Svenson, 1 p**
- E ñ Executive Appointments, interest form, staff, 5 pp**
- F ñ Executive Appointments, written testimony, Dianne Sjobeck, 3 pp**
- G ñ Executive Appointments, interest form, staff, 12 pp**
- H ñ Executive Appointments, interest form, staff, 6 pp**
- I ñ SCR 2, written testimony, Phyllis Rand, 4 pp**