

SENATE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ELECTIONS

April 22, 1999 Hearing Room B

4:30 p.m. Tapes 43 - 44

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Charles Starr, Chair

Sen. Lee Beyer

Sen. Kate Brown

Sen. Neil Bryant

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Randy Miller, Vice-Chair

STAFF PRESENT: Brian E. Smith, Administrator

Rachel E. Halupowski, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: SCR 11 Public Hearing and Work Session

SCR 6 Public Hearing and Work Session

SCR 10 Public Hearing and Work Session

SCR 7 Public Hearing and Work Session

SCR 8 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 43, A		
000	Chair Starr	Opens meeting at 4:45 p.m. and opens public hearing on SCR 11.
<u>SCR 11 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
006	Rep. Jeff Kropf	House District 37. Supports SCR 11. States Bud Byers was a man of true principle. States that it is appropriate to memorialize him in this manner.

021	Sen. Mae Yih	Senate District 19. Presents (EXHIBIT A) . States that Bud Byers had served in the Oregon House of Representatives from 1971 to 1981. States that he chaired the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee and the Energy and Environment Committee. States that Bud Byers was a dynamic leader and role model. Urges the committee to pass SCR 11.
065	Judy Byers	Bud Byers' widow. States that Bud Byers loved politics. States that Byers agonized over the politics of capitol punishment, and spent a lot of money and time to ensure that people were not being wrongly convicted of crimes. Urges the committee to pass SCR 11.
088	Grace Gantt	Citizen. States that Bud Byers was a true public servant who helped his constituents. States that Byers started the prison apprenticeship program, and was saddened by the fact that prisoners were being denied the education necessary for success upon release. States that he spoke up for the handicapped, homeless, and the incarcerated. Supports SCR 11.
121	Velma Hartwig	Citizen. States that Bud Byers was a champion for the people. States that he helped many innocent people stay out of prison by helping them understand their rights and the laws. States that he volunteered much of his time visiting people in prison, working with his church to collect food for the less fortunate, and raising money for numerous charities. Supports SCR 11.
157	Floyd Oster	Citizen. Supports SCR 11. States Bud Byers was the unofficial spokesman for innocent families in distress and the handicapped. States that he always put his constituents above himself.
173	Chair Starr	Closes public hearing and opens public hearing on SCR 6.
<u>SCR 6 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
180	Grace Crunican	Director, Oregon Department Of Transportation (ODOT). Presents (EXHIBIT B) . Supports SCR 6. Believes it is a wonderful gesture for the legislature to honor Dennis Edwards, a deceased ODOT employee.
214	Doug Tindall	Statewide Maintenance Engineer. Presents (EXHIBIT C) . States that Dennis Edwards worked for ODOT for 25 years. States Dennis Edwards took pride in his work, friendships, and family. States this memorial is not only for Dennis Edwards, but for the 1,300 ODOT maintenance workers that put their lives on the line every day. Supports SCR 6.
239	Sen. Tony Corcoran	Senate District 22. States that he has represented ODOT workers for 11 years. States it is appropriate to honor Dennis Edwards, a man who never asked his workers to do a job he was not willing to do himself. Supports SCR 6.
259	Crunican	States that Dennis Edwards was a dedicated worker and a great leader.
277	Chair Starr	Closes public hearing and opens public hearing on SCR 10.

SCR 10 PUBLIC HEARING

290	Sen. Beyer	States SCR 10 was drafted at the request of the University of Oregon, honoring Mary Burrows for her service. Clarifies that Mary Burrows is alive today.
300	Kirk Bailey	Director, Legislative Relations, University of Oregon. Presents (EXHIBIT D) . States he requested SCR 10 in order to recognize the contributions of one of Eugene's first citizens, and a strong advocate for the community's education system. States that Mary Burrows served as a member of the Oregon House of Representatives from 1973 to 1987. States she chaired the National Council of State Legislators and served as a member of the governing board of the Council on State Governments.
350	Bailey	Urges the committee to support SCR 10.
367	David Buchanan	Oregon Common Cause. Relates his experience with Mary Burrows. Supports SCR 10.
385	Chair Starr	Closes public hearing and recesses the meeting at 6:05 p.m. Reopens meeting at 6:15 p.m. and opens work session on SCR 11.

SCR 11 WORK SESSION

405	Sen. Beyer	MOTION: Moves SCR 11 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.
		VOTE: 3-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 ñ Brown, Miller
	Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES. SEN. YIH will lead discussion on the floor.
422	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens work session on SCR 6.

SCR 6 WORK SESSION

425	Sen. Beyer	MOTION: Moves SCR 6 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.
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		VOTE: 3-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Brown, Miller
	Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES. SEN. CORCORAN will lead discussion on the floor.
431	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens work session on SCR 10.
<u>SCR 10 WORK SESSION</u>		
432	Sen. Beyer	MOTION: Moves to amend SCR 10 by adding Mary Burrowsí maiden name, McCauley.
		VOTE: 3-0 EXCUSED: 2 - Brown, Miller
	Chair Starr	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
450	Sen. Beyer	MOTION: Moves SCR 10 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 3-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Brown, Miller
	Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES. SEN. BEYER will lead discussion on the floor.
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005	Chair Starr	Closes work session and opens public hearing on SCR 7 and SCR 8.
<u>SCR 7 AND SCR 8 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
033	Joyce Harris	Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory. Presents (EXHIBIT E) . States that William McClendon and McKinley Burt, Jr. were scholars of the highest caliber who devoted their lives to educational excellence. States that their legacy and presence have truly enriched the State of Oregon. Supports SCR 7 and SCR 8.
051	Kamau Sadiki	Engineer, Portland. Presents (EXHIBIT F) . Supports SCR 7 and SCR 8. States that William McClendon and McKinley Burt, Jr., at their own expense, chronicled the African-American experience in Oregon and the nation. Encourages the committee to give high respect and deep honor to the legacy of both men.
080	Sen. Avel Gordly	Senate District 10. Supports SCR 7 and SCR 8. States that the work of both men need to be better known. Reads a letter from Ben Priestly, an activist in Portland with the Neighborhood Association, Black United Front, and other organizations.
130	Chair Starr	Closes public hearing and opens work session on SCR 7.
<u>SCR 7 WORK SESSION</u>		
144	Sen. Beyer	MOTION: Moves SCR 7 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.
		VOTE: 4-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 1 ñ Miller
	Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES. SEN. GORDLY will lead discussion on the floor.
150	Chair Starr	Closes work session on SCR 7 and opens work session on SCR 8.
<u>SCR 8 WORK SESSION</u>		
151	Sen. Beyer	MOTION: Moves SCR 8 be sent to the floor with a BE

		ADOPTED recommendation.
		VOTE: 4-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 1 ñ Miller
	Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES. SEN. GORDLY will lead discussion on the floor.
157	Chair Starr	Closes work session and adjourns meeting at 6:30 p.m.
158	Brown	Requests to be counted as an aye vote on SCR 11, SCR 6, and SCR 10.
000	Chair Starr	NOTE: REOPENED THE MEETING TO ALLOW SEN. BROWN TO VOTE ON SCR 11, SCR 6, AND SCR 10. THE TAPE HAD ALREADY BEEN REMOVED WHEN THIS ACTION OCCURRED. PLEASE NOTE FOR THE RECORD SEN. BROWN'S VOTES FOR SCR 11, SCR 6, AND SCR 10.
	Chair Starr	MOTION: Requests unanimous consent that the rules be SUSPENDED to allow SEN. BROWN to BE RECORDED as voting AYE on SCR 11, SCR 6, and SCR 10.
		VOTE: 4-0 EXCUSED: 1 ñ Miller
	Chair Starr	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
	Chair Starr	Adjourns meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

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B ñ SCR 6, written testimony, Grace Crunican, 3 pp

C ñ SCR 6, written testimony, Doug Tindall, 1 p

D ñ SCR 10, written testimony, Kirk Bailey, 1 p

E ñ SCR 7 and SCR 8, written testimony, Joyce Harris, 1 p

F ñ SCR 7 and SCR 8, written testimony, Kamau Sadiki, 3 pp