SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

February 22, 1999 Hearing Room C

3:05 p.m. Tape 29

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Marylin Shannon, Chair

Sen. Susan Castillo

Sen. Joan Dukes

Sen. Gary George

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Sen. Ted Ferrioli

Sen. Lenn Hannon

Sen. Mae Yih

STAFF PRESENT: Don Scott, Administrator

Valerie Luhr, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: HB 2193 Public Hearing

These minutes are in compliance with Senate and House Rules. Only text enclosed in quotation marks reports a speakeris exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the tapes.

TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments		
TAPE 29, A				
003	Chair Shannon	Calls the meeting to order at 3:13 p.m. States because of concerns that have surfaced over HB 2193 the committee will not have a work session. Opens public hearing on HB 2193.		
HB 2193 PUBLIC HEARING				
008	Don Scott	Committee Administrator, reviews provisions of HB 2193. Reviews data in the revised fiscal statement. States Rep. Montgomery, chair of the House Transportation Committee, requested the committee to not hold a work session on HB 2193. The House committee is working on a bill involving renewal		

		procedures for 80 year olds and over, and there may be implications involving HB 2193.
030	Sen. Dukes	Asks if the House committee is looking at less than an eight-year license because that would be unconstitutional.
033	Chair Shannon	States she understands the House committee is looking at that provision.
035	Sen. Dukes	States currently the older age group receives a four-year license that can be renewed by mail without going to a DMV field office.
038	Chair Shannon	Believes the 80 year old and older group would not need to take a drive test. The new bill would require an eye exam.
042	Sen. Dukes	States the Constitutional does not allow creating two classes of people.
050	Kelly Taylor	Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), submits and presents testimony [EXHIBIT A] in support of HB 2193. ODOT believes the bill will save the public time and create efficiencies within ODOT, and maintain driver safety.
100	Chair Shannon	States Y2K projects are to be done by January 1, 2000.
102	Taylor	States agreement with Chair Shannon. Explains there could be fixes that need to be done at the first of the year. States ODOT would not want to implement HB 2193 in the summer because of peak business.
111	Chair Shannon	Requests clarification of fees for a first-time license.
115	Taylor	States the first-time license total is \$26.25. Twenty dollars goes to DMV and \$6.25 goes to three separate funds.
118	Chair Shannon	Clarifies the renewal fee after that is \$16.25. Asks why ODOT is increasing the \$20 fee to \$30.
120	Taylor	States ODOT was attempting to keep the revenue streams by doubling the fees and collect them once in eight years. Explains there are about five fees involved that when doubling the original fee the customer pays more.
138	Chair Shannon	States there is a law stating if the legislature increases fees, it takes an 18 vote in the Senate and 33 in the House. Asks if the law applies.
140	Taylor	States she does not know. HB 2193 passed overwhelmingly in the House. Summarizes ODOT believes the bill improves customer service, preserves driver safety, and the value of a driver license or ID card as photo identification.

150	Sen. George	States his support for generating more money. States he is willing to pay for convenience. Believes most people would react favorably to the convenience factor.
155	Chair Shannon	States her support for raising money for DMV. Closes the public hearing on HB 2193. Adjourns the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Valerie Luhr, Don Scott,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A ñ HB 2193, written testimony, Kelly Taylor, 2 pp.