

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

March 19, 1999 Hearing Room C

3:05 p.m. Tape 43

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Marylin Shannon, Chair

Sen. Mae Yih, Vice-Chair

Sen. Susan Castillo

Sen. Gary George

Sen. Lenn Hannon

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Sen. Joan Dukes

Sen. Ted Ferrioli

STAFF PRESENT: Don Scott, Administrator

Patrick Brennan, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: HB 2478-A Work Session

HB 2193 Work Session

HB 2443 Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 2622 Public Hearing and Work Session

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 43, A		
002	Chair Shannon	Calls the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. Opens a work session on HB 2478-A.
<u>HB 2478-A WORK SESSION</u>		
010	Don Scott	Committee Administrator. Gives a brief description of HB 2478-A. States that the ñ6 amendments (EXHIBIT A) relate to expenditures for reduction of

		accidents in high incident areas and bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
020	Sen. Hannon	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2478A-6 amendments dated 3/19/99.
	Chair Shannon	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
024	Sen. Hannon	MOTION: Moves HB 2478A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
025	Sen. Yih	Asks if the bill is related to a previously discussed cost-counting amendment.
028	Sen. Shannon	Replies that the amendments work together. States that the goal is to develop a crash site deduction, which includes items such as straightening curves, under the heading of modernization. Says that modernization is what is to be monitored.
040		VOTE: 5-0-2 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Dukes, Ferrioli
	Chair Shannon	The motion CARRIES. SEN. SHANNON will lead discussion on the floor.
045	Chair Shannon	Closes the work session on HB 2478-A and opens a work session on HB 2193.
<u>HB 2193 WORK SESSION</u>		
052	Don Scott	Committee Administrator. Gives a brief description of the bill and mentions that there was a previous work session on 2-22-99. States that the bill will create a savings of \$6 million for 1999-2001 and \$16 million in subsequent years. Says that there has been some concern that the bill will provide a hidden increase in drivers license issuance.
075	Sen. Hannon	States that there is legislation which would require older individuals to be tested for vision and medical problems before renewing their drivers licenses. Asks if HB 2193 would impact the ability of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to test such individuals. States that a person could suffer vision impairment during the 8 years between renewals of a license.

086	Kelly Taylor	Representative, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). Replies that ODOT has been working closely with Rep. Bob Montgomery in crafting legislation to continue the current process of doctor notification in the event of a medical condition which may impair vision. Says that there has been a compromise which will allow the process to continue regardless of the extension of the period between renewals of licenses.
097	Sen. Shannon	Says that the reason that HB 2193 was held in committee was to have the medical condition issues worked out.
104	Sen. George	Asks if there are any statistics that show that older drivers are relatively safe.
109	Taylor	Replies that about 4 percent of drivers older than 74 years of age. Says that drivers from that group have a very low accident and conviction rate.
117	Sen. Hannon	MOTION: Moves HB 2193 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
120		VOTE: 5-0-2 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Dukes, Ferrioli
	Chair Shannon	The motion CARRIES. SEN. YIH will lead discussion on the floor.
125	Chair Shannon	Closes the work session on HB 2193 and opens a public hearing on HB 2443.
<u>HB 2443 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
127	Don Scott	Committee Administrator. Gives a brief description of the bill.
140	Don Miner	Representative, Oregon Manufactured Housing Association. Testifies in support of HB 2443 (EXHIBIT B). States that manufactured homes are considered vehicles, and vehicles which are not on the exemption list are required to be equipped with mud guards. States that the bill would add manufactured homes to the list of exemption. Says that the wheels on manufactured homes are shielded by the house itself. Says that no other state requires fenders or mud guards on manufactured dwellings.
161	Chair Shannon	Closes the public hearing on HB 2443 and opens a work session on HB 2443.

HB 2443 WORK SESSION

166	Sen. Hannon	MOTION: Moves HB 2443 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
168		VOTE: 5-0-2 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Dukes, Ferrioli
	Chair Shannon	The motion CARRIES. SEN. CASTILLO will lead discussion on the floor.
175	Chair Shannon	Closes the work session on HB 2443 and opens a public hearing on HB 2622.

HB 2622 PUBLIC HEARING

185	Don Miner	Representative, Oregon Manufactured Housing Association. Testifies in support of HB 2622 (EXHIBIT C). States that manufactured homes are considered vehicles and wrecking a vehicle requires a wrecking license. Says that there is no such thing as a manufactured dwelling wreckers yard and that HB 2622 would thus exempt manufactured homes from the wrecking requirement. Says that the demolition of a manufactured dwelling would require a construction contractor. Says that manufactured homes are destroyed on the premises where they reside. Says that the bill is a housekeeping measure that cannot be taken care of administratively.
200	Sen. Hannon	Asks for a definition of the difference between modular homes and manufactured dwellings.
217	Miner	Replies that statute makes a distinction between the two.
224	Sen. Hannon	Asks if the owner of a modular home would be required to have a license to do work on his home.
229	Miner	Replies that an owner could perform work on his own home or have a construction contractor perform the work.
231	Sen. Yih	Asks what circumstances would require the dismantling of a manufactured home.

234	Miner	Replies that manufactured homes depreciate and become dilapidated. Says that the space where such homes reside is worth more than the structure itself. Says that there is little salvage value to manufactured homes and that the cost of recycling is higher than the worth of the materials.
250	Sen. Yih	Says that one of her constituents suggested that unwanted manufactured homes be renovated for use by the poor and homeless. Asks Miner if such a plan is feasible.
255	Miner	Replies that there is a pilot project underway to do just that. Says that the project is designed to determine if such an endeavor is economically feasible. Says that the primary problem is the lack of land for old trailer houses.
270	Sen. Yih	Says that the plan which her constituent discussed with her included using utilizing free labor, such as Goodwill, to improve the conditions of homes for use by low income people.
280	Miner	Replies that the pilot project utilizes prison labor to renovate homes, with the additional goal of teaching construction skills to prisoners. Says that even prison laborers must be paid and that the cost may not be justified by the result.
287	Sen. Shannon	Asks Sen. Yih if the constituent to whom she refers had a plan as to where such houses could be sited.
290	Sen. Yih	Replies that houses could be sited on state lands designated for the purpose. Suggests that the committee open a dialogue to the administrators of the pilot project to convey its interest.
296	Chair Shannon	Closes the public hearing on HB 2622 and opens a work session on HB 2622.
<u>HB 2622 WORK SESSION</u>		
305	Sen. Hannon	MOTION: Moves HB 2622 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
307		VOTE: 5-0-2 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Dukes, Ferrioli
	Chair	The motion CARRIES. SEN. HANNON will lead discussion on the floor.

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Chair Shannon

Closes the work session on HB 2622 and adjourns the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A ñ HB 2478-A, -6 amendments, staff, 1 p.

B ñ HB 2443, testimony, Don Miner, 2 pp.

C ñ HB 2622, testimony, Don Miner, 2 pp.