

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

**June 30, 1999 Hearing Room B**

**9:00 a.m. Tapes 103 - 104**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Marylin Shannon, Chair**

**Sen. Mae Yih, Vice-Chair**

**Sen. Gary George**

**MEMBERS EXCUSED: Sen. Susan Castillo**

**Sen. Ted Ferrioli**

**STAFF PRESENT: Megan Palau, Administrator**

**Valerie Luhr, Administrative Support**

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: HB 3090-A Work Session**

**HB 3085-A Possible Reconsideration 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
<b>TAPE 103, A</b>		
004	Chair Shannon	Calls the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Opens a work session on HB 3090-A.
<b><u>HB 3090-A WORK SESSION</u></b>		
020	Megan Palau	Committee Administrator. Reviews provisions of the bill.
033	Rep. Jerry Krummel	House District 27. Submits written information in support of the bill ( <b>EXHIBIT A</b> ). Reviews provisions of the HB 3090-A4 amendment ( <b>EXHIBIT B</b> ). States the amendment allows for a feasibility study and potential for new highway.

		Discusses potential routes for the new highway, and economic and environmental impacts.
098	Chair Shannon	Comments on truck traffic through Hermiston, such as dispersal of triple-trailers. Asks about the benefit of a new highway for truck traffic coming from Washington through Oregon to California.
112	Rep. Krummel	Explains that Spokane is major "collecting point." Expresses his belief that traffic from California will use the new route to get to the interior of Washington.
132	Chair Shannon	Recesses the work session on HB 3090-A and opens a work session on HB 3085-A.
<b><u>HB 3085-A WORK SESSION</u></b>		
135	Chair Shannon	<b>MOTION: Moves to SUSPEND the rules for the purpose of reconsidering the vote by which the committee sent HB 3085-A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 4-0</b> <b>EXCUSED: 2 - Castillo, Ferrioli</b>
Chair Shannon		<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>  For the purpose of suspending the rules for reconsideration, Sen. Brady Adams is on the dais.
147	Megan Palau	Committee Administrator. Reviews provisions of the HB 3085-A14 amendment, which includes amendments to resolve conflicts with SB 20 [EXHIBIT C].
158	Sen. Yih	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3085-A14 amendments dated 6/28/99.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b> <b>EXCUSED: 2 - Castillo, Ferrioli</b>
Chair Shannon		<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
165	Sen. Yih	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 3085-A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>

		<p><b>VOTE: 3-0</b></p> <p><b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b></p> <p><b>EXCUSED: 2 - Castillo, Ferrioli</b></p>
	<b>Chair Shannon</b>	<p><b>The motion CARRIES.</b></p> <p><b>SEN. YIH will lead discussion on the floor.</b></p>
175	Chair Shannon	Closes the work session on HB 3085-A and reopens the work session on HB 3090-A.
<b><u>HB 3090-A WORK SESSION</u></b>		
176	Chair Shannon	Asks if the new highway would help truck traffic from Canada.
180	Rep. Krummel	Responds affirmatively. States he believes the highway would also benefit traffic from Idaho.
193	Sen. George	Explains why a highway east of the Cascades is more beneficial than improvements to Interstate 5. Asks if there has been communication from California and Nevada relative to construction of a new highway.
245	Rep. Krummel	Indicates the Yreka-Weed area in northern California is not supportive. States he has not communicated with Nevada.
264	Sen. Yih	Asks if Rep. Krummel if he is proposing one or two routes.
268	Rep. Krummel	Explains he would like the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to consider which route is more beneficial.
285	Sen. Yih	Clarifies Rep. Krummel's preference is the highway running through the U.S. 97 corridor.
290	Rep. Krummel	Discusses the map with members while standing at the dais.
312	Sen. Yih	Asks how the roads will be paid for.
315	Rep. Krummel	States a potential toll road is plausible, which would allow building of the road sooner. Comments on the importance of the connection between the bill and HB 2692.
338	Chair Shannon	Comments on issues revolving around transportation in the eastern part of the

		Oregon and Washington. States 65 percent of the population west of the Rocky Mountains live within 10 miles of Interstate 5.
354	Sen. George	States Oregon is far behind the state of Washington in terms of moving freight on the highways. Speaks to an efficient movement of freight with the availability of a new highway.
387	Rep. Krummel	Indicates he has received favorable response from Sen. Gordon Smith.
400	Chris Hagerbaumer	Air and Transportation Program Director, Oregon Environmental Council (OEC). Submits testimony [EXHIBIT D]. States the HB 3090-A3 amendment removed the portion of the bill sponsored by OED. States the HB 3090-A4 amendment adds the discussion of an eastside corridor. Recognizes the need for economic development in eastern Oregon and the benefits of a new highway. Believes the Oregon Economic Development Department should be involved. Encourages careful review of environmental issues. States OEC believes the fiscal impact of the HB 3090-A4 amendment needs to be addressed.
<b>TAPE 104, A</b>		
017	Sen. Shannon	States construction would not begin until 2003 and that should allow time for OEC's issues to be addressed.
020	Hagerbaumer	Defers to Rep. Krummel.
024	Rep. Krummel	States ODOT's feasibility study will include a fatal flaw analysis. Comments on federal law requirement for an environmental impact statement.
036	Sen. Yih	Asks if there is a fiscal impact on the feasibility study for which ODOT will pay.
040	Doug Tindall	Maintenance Engineer, Oregon Department of Transportation. States the feasibility study cost is \$100,000. Expresses agreement with Sen. George's comments about high construction costs in the Willamette Valley. Expresses concern about the U.S. 395 route relative to Lakeview and Klamath Falls, and about environmental issues.
062	Chair Shannon	Clarifies suggested changes to the HB 3090-A4 amendment.
065	Tindall	Defers response to Rep. Krummel whether to go through Klamath Falls.
068	Rep. Krummel	States ODOT should review either of the two corridors.
072	Tindall	Suggests the amendment should say to the California or Nevada border. Suggests that if the bill's intention is to get a north-south corridor, a route further east should not be precluded.

084	Chair Shannon	Clarifies the amendment would read on line 4 "Umatilla to the California or Nevada border."
086	Tindall	States the feasibility study estimate went to the Ways and Means Committee while in the House.
091	Rep. Krummel	Clarifies the report will be made in the Seventy-first Legislative Assembly. Suggests changing "seventy-first" to "seventy-second."
		Committee members discuss issues revolving around a change in the legislative assembly and clarify "going through Klamath Falls" will be deleted.
107	Sen. George	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3090-A4 amendments dated 6/29/99 and that the measure be FURTHER AMENDED on page 1, line 4, by inserting "or Nevada" after "California" and on line 5, by deleting "," after "border" and inserting "." and delete "going through Klamath Falls." and on line 6 by changing "Seventy-first" to "Seventy-second".</b>
117	Sen. Yih	Asks if the bill should be sent to the Ways and Means Committee to allow for an earlier report.
120	Chair Shannon	States it would be difficult to get the funding at this time.
122	Sen. George	States the coordination with two other states will be a long-term process.
		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b> <b>EXCUSED: 2 - Castillo, Ferrioli</b>
Chair Shannon		<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
133	Sen. George	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 3090-A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 2 - Castillo, Ferrioli</b>
Chair Shannon		<b>The motion CARRIES.</b> <b>SEN. GEORGE will lead discussion on the floor.</b>

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**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

**A ñ HB 3090-A, written information, Rep. Jerry Krummel, 2 pp.**

**B ñ HB 3090-A4 amendment, staff, 1 p.**

**C- HB 3085-A14 amendment, staff, 9 pp.**

**D ñ HB 3090, written testimony, Chris Hagerbaumer, 2 pp.**