

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGENCY OVERSIGHT AND EFFICIENCY

February 11, 1997 Hearing Room H-170

1 P.M. Tapes 14 - 15

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Jane Lokan, Chair

Rep. Richard Devlin, Vice-Chair

Rep. Tom Brian

Rep. Ryan Deckert

Rep. Steve Harper

Rep. Eldon Johnson

Rep. Mike Lehman

STAFF PRESENT:

Brian Griffin, Administrator

Valerie Luhr, Administrative Support

Jennifer Peck, Committee Clerk

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2182 Work Session

HB 2109 Work Session

SB 58 Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 2146 Public Hearing

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Tape/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 14, A		
004	Chair Lokan	Calls the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. Rep. Deckert is not present. (Rep. Deckert does arrive late.) Announces the

		committee will not meet on Thursday (February 13) and will meet next Tuesday (February 18). Opens the work session on HB 2182.
<u>HB 2182 - WORK SESSION</u>		
024	Brian Griffin	Committee Administrator. Reviews the provisions of the measure and the public hearing held on February 4, 1997.
048	Chair Lokan	Says that Legislative Fiscal Office approves the measure. Rep. Brian arrives.
053	Rep. Lehman	MOTION: Moves HB 2182 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 6-0 AYE: 6 - Brian, Devlin, Harper, Johnson, Lehman, Lokan EXCUSED: 1 - Deckert
	Chair Lokan	The motion CARRIES . REP. JOHNSON will lead discussion on the floor.
072	Chair Lokan	Closes the work session on HB 2182. Opens the work session on HB 2109.
<u>HB 2109 - WORK SESSION</u>		
080	Brian Griffin	Committee Administrator, reviews the provisions of the measure and the public hearing held on February 4, 1997.
105	Chair Lokan	Reviews the conceptual amendment to HB 2109, which sets a maximum on the petty cash fund.
109	Rep. Brian	MOTION: Moves to APPROVE the conceptual amendment, dated February 11, 1997, to HB 2109 on page 1, line 23, after "funds" insert ", in an amount not to exceed \$250,".
119	Chair Lokan	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED .
121	Rep. Brian	MOTION: Moves HB 2109 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
128	Rep. Brian	Rescinds his motion to send HB 2109 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
130	Chair Lokan	Committee discussion on order of action to be taken with the measure. Committee determines HB 2109 cannot be moved to the floor with a do pass as amended recommendation. The conceptual amendments must be sent to Legislative Council for an LC draft. (Work session on HB 2109 was held on February 20, 1997.)

163	Chair Lokan	Closes the work session on HB 2109. Opens the public hearing on SB 58.
<u>SB 58 - PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
167	Brian Griffin	Committee Administrator, reviews the provisions of the measure.
186	Karen DeLorenzo	Administrator, State Board of Accountancy. Introduces herself, David Efurd, Nancy Towslee, and Bob Armstrong.
199	Mike Greenfield	Deputy Secretary of State. Introduces himself.
201	David Efurd	CPA, Vice-Chair, State Board of Accountancy. Summarizes testimony [EXHIBIT A] in support of SB 58.
224	Rep. Brian	Asks if the groups regulated by the board support the measure.
228	Efurd	Says they support the measure.
235	Greenfield	Deputy Secretary of State. Comments in support of SB 58.
246	Chair Lokan	Asks for an explanation of the functions of the Board of Accountancy.
250	DeLorenzo	Explains the functions of the Board of Accountancy.
276	Rep. Johnson	How many members are there.
277	DeLorenzo	Approximately 7,000 licensees.
281	Rep. Brian	Asks for an explanation of the proposed costs of the measure.
286	DeLorenzo	Explains the overall cost saving for the board.
301	Rep. Harper	Asks if it is an overall cost saving, can't we say this now when you go to Ways and Means.
303	DeLorenzo	Says that is the way it will be presented.
309	Rep. Harper	Says there is no language in the bill about the transfer to DAS. Does that need to be specifically said.
312	DeLorenzo	Explains the change in the wording in the statutes from "there is established in the Secretary of State's office a Board of Accountancy" to "there is established a Board of Accountancy."
335	Chair Lokan	Closes the public hearing on SB 58. Opens the work session on SB 58.
<u>SB 58 - WORK SESSION</u>		
341	Rep. Lehman	MOTION: Moves SB 58 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 7-0
		In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.

355	Chair Lokan	The motion CARRIES. REP. DEVLIN will lead discussion on the floor.
359	Rep. Devlin	Asks if there is a joint referral to Ways and Means.
361	Griffin	Does not believe it is necessary. Will check for conflicts.
367	Chair Lokan	Closes the work session on SB 58. Opens the public hearing on HB 2146.
<u>HB 2146 - PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
387	Brian Griffin	Committee Administrator, reviews the provisions of the measure.
TAPE 15, A		
004	Lynn Schoessler	Director, Housing and Community Services. Gives a background of the agency. Comments in support of HB 2146.
036	Chair Lokan	Asks how many employees do they have and how much space do they need.
038	Schoessler	Says they have about 100 employees and explains their space requirements.
050	Rep. Johnson	Asks for clarification of the rent per square foot.
051	Schoessler	Explains how much they are currently paying and the kind of space that is available.
061	Rep. Brian	Asks if they have a business plan or a financial plan.
068	Schoessler	Yes, they do have a plan. It will cost more than they are currently paying. Purchasing a new building will develop an asset for them.
078	Rep. Brian	What is your budget for acquisition.
080	Schoessler	The agency does not have the budget at this time, because they do not have specific property in mind.
082	Rep. Brian	Asks if we can assume that during the interim there will be an active interest in locating and securing facility.
086	Schoessler	Says no.
087	Rep. Brian	Asks why they need the authority now rather than during the 1999 session.
088	Schoessler	They are trying to position themselves if the opportunity comes up.
092	Vice-Chair Devlin	To what extent would you receive assistance from other state agencies.
096	Schoessler	Coordinated through Department of Administrative Services, Capitol Planning Commission requirements.
106	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks about the costs in general.

108	Schoessler	Predominantly self-supporting. None of the facility would come from general funds, would be entirely department funds.
120	Rep. Harper	Is there a state level facilities board.
123	Schoessler	Says the Facilities division coordinates with the Capitol Planning Commission.
125	Rep. Harper	Asks if the Facilities Divisions and Capitol Planning Commission are the ones to ask.
130	Schoessler	Explains how they will work with the agency and what they can do on their own.
136	Rep. Harper	This is not part of an overall strategic plan.
137	Schoessler	Is part of his department's plan to develop assets.
143	Chair Lokan	Asks about availability of existing spaces.
148	Schoessler	Explains there is very little available for state office buildings.
160	Chair Lokan	Has there been any move to work with Facility Services.
163	Schoessler	Explains what they have done with Facility Services.
168	Rep. Lehman	Asks if they are seeking authority in statute to own a building.
172	Schoessler	Is not familiar with the statutes, but presumably that is correct.
174	Rep. Lehman	Says that various agencies own their own building throughout both Salem and outside of Salem.
177	Schoessler	Is not familiar with how many state agencies have the authority to own their own buildings. Their agency needs statutory authority to develop an asset and to own their own building.
189	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks that if the bill passed, would the legislature be giving the agency authority to sign an agreement.
198	Schoessler	Explains the steps they would have to follow.
200	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks if the coordination would require approval of the Capitol Planning Commission.
202	Schoessler	Yes.
208	Chair Lokan	Closes the public hearing on HB 2146.
215	Chair Lokan	Declares the meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - SB 48, written testimony, State Board of Accountancy, 2 pp.