

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGENCY OVERSIGHT AND EFFICIENCY

February 20, 1997 Hearing Room H-170

1:00 P.M. Tapes 18 - 19

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Jane Lokan, Chair

Rep. Richard Devlin, Vice-Chair

Rep. Ryan Deckert

Rep. Steve Harper

Rep. Eldon Johnson

Rep. Mike Lehman

MEMBER EXCUSED:

Rep. Tom Brian

STAFF PRESENT:

Brian Griffin, Administrator

Valerie Luhr, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2109 Work Session

HB 2146 Public Hearing

SB 114 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 18, A		
004	Chair Lokan	Calls the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m. Reviews the agenda for next week's meetings (February 24 and 26). Introduces Judy Edstrom, the new committee administrator.
		Opens work session on HB 2109

<u>HB 2109 - WORK SESSION</u>		
035	Brian Griffin	Committee Administrator. Reviews the provisions of the measure and the -1 amendments to the measure.
	Vice-Chair Devlin	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2109-1 amendments dated 02/18/97.
069	Chair Lokan	VOTE: 5-0 AYE: 5 - Deckert, Devlin, Harper, Lehman, Lokan EXCUSED: 2 - Brian, Johnson
	Chair Lokan	The motion carries.
	Vice Chair Devlin	MOTION: Moves HB 2109 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 6-0 AYE: 6 - Deckert, Devlin, Harper, Johnson, Lehman, Lokan EXCUSED: 1 - Brian
	Chair Lokan	The motion CARRIES. JOHNSON will lead discussion on the floor.
069	Chair Lokan	Closes work session on HB 2109. Opens public hearing on HB 2146.
<u>HB 2146 - PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
080	Brian Griffin	Committee Administrator. Reviews the provisions of the measure.
097	Mike Marsh	Facilities Administrator, Department of Administrative Services. Their function is to ensure that the state is building and maintaining state buildings of general office use. The plan for Housing and Community Services is that they are included 1997-1999 Governor's recommended budget for construction in the following biennium. Explains why the agency has no problems with the bill
122	Rep. Johnson	Questions and discussion on decisions to lease or buy facilities.
124	Marsh	* Strategic plan for the Capitol Mall

		<p>* Cash flow issue</p> <p>* Decisions to lease or construct outside the Salem area</p>
154	Rep. Johnson	Questions and discussion about buying land and building facilities for the Department of Environmental Quality in Portland.
161	Marsh	<p>* There have been discussions</p> <p>* Changes in technology</p>
172	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks Marsh to explain his previous remarks about whether there are funds in the budget for planning.
178	Marsh	The bill gives authority to the agency to seek to purchase, but would require approval by the legislature and the Governor. Comments on what would happen whether the measure passes or fails.
191	Chair Lokan	Asks if the building being considered will be used by other agency groups.
196	Marsh	Explains the property on the north end of the Capitol Mall where an office building will be constructed at about 90 cents per square foot compared to the Salem market rate of \$1.16 per square foot.
213	Chair Lokan	Would the passage of HB 2146 have any impact on the locating of Housing and Community Services in the building
217	Marsh	It is being done as a contingency and will still seek their involvement unless it is not approved.
215	Peter Tarzian	Chair, Oregon State Housing Council. The council fully supports HB 2146. Comments on the reference to the council in Section 2. Explains the council's support of the bill.
278	Chair Lokan	Closes the public hearing on HB 2146. Opens the public hearing on SB 114.
<u>SB 114 - PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
288	Brian Griffin	Committee Administrator. Reviews provisions of the measure. Reviews the Secretary of State's statement [EXHIBIT A] in support of SB 114. Reviews the fiscal impact.
324	Brian Teller	Public Member, State Board of Tax Service Examiners. Introduces Joyce Thorbeck. Submits written information [EXHIBIT B] and comments in support of SB 114.
347	Chair Lokan	Comments on the overview [EXHIBIT C] of the State Board of Tax Service Examiners.
358	Joyce Thorbeck	Says the agency licenses and regulates anyone who does personal tax returns for a fee, except a certified public accountant or an attorney. Reviews the types of licenses issued.
378		Questions and discussion on types and number of complaints.

	Chair Lokan	
380	Thorbeck	* Seventy-five complaints a year * Complaints about unlicensed activities * Failure to return records is the most common complaint
398	Chair Lokan	Asks when they must return a client's records.
399	Thorbeck	The rule says a reasonable time.
TAPE 19, A		
001	Chair Lokan	Asks what penalties are for noncompliance.
004	Thorbeck	Says the board can revoke or suspend a license and impose dollar penalties.
006	Vice Chair Devlin	Asks if licensees are required to maintain copies of client's records.
010	Thorbeck	They are required to maintain copies of tax returns for four years.
013	Chair Lokan	Closes the public hearing on SB 114. Opens the work session on SB 114.
016	Rep. Deckert	MOTION: Moves SB 114 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 4-0 AYE: 4 - Deckert, Devlin, Harper, Lokan EXCUSED: 3 - Brian, Johnson, Lehman
	Chair Lokan	The motion CARRIES. REP. HARPER will lead discussion on the floor.
028	Chair Lokan	Closes the work session on SB 114. Declares the meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Submitted by, Reviewed by,

Valerie H. Luhr Judy Edstrom

Administrative Support Specialist Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - SB 114, written information, Mike Greenfield, 1 p.

B - SB 114, written information, Brian Teller, 4 pp.

C - SB 114, written information, committee staff, 4 pp.