

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND TRADE

February 4, 1997 Hearing Room H 170

8:30 A.M. Tapes 3 - 4

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Jim Hill, Chair

Rep. Rep. Ron Adams

Rep. Rep. Tom Whelan

Rep. Cynthia Wooten

STAFF PRESENT:

Julie Neburka, Administrator

Coben Tistadt, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2124

HB 2142

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Tape/#	Speaker	Comments
Tape 3, A		
<u>WORKSESSION</u> <u>ON HB 2124</u>		
005	Chair Hill	Opens work session on HB 2124 at 8:30 A.M.
013	Neburka	Gives brief overview of HB 2124.
020	Cam Preus-Braly	Administrator of the Oregon Workforce Quality Council. Passes out proposed amendments to HB 2124 (EXHIBIT A).Explains submitted proposal replaces out-dated language with language reflecting recent legislative efforts of Congress.
053	Chair Hill	Asks about proposed amendments.

057	Preus-Braly	Explains that the amendment would increase the flexibility of the workforce council.
069	Rep. Adams	Asks about changes to the council.
075	Preus-Braly	Talks about oversight requirement to receive federal funding.
087	Chair Hill	Asks about the agency receiving the program.
089	Preus-Braly	Responds that they are separate entities.
090	Rep. Adams	Asks staff about subcommittee rules.
093	Neburka	Answers that the subcommittee can adopt conceptual amendments.
096	Rep. Hill	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT the amendments offered by the Oregon Workforce Quality Council to HB 2124 (EXHIBIT A).
097		VOTE: 4-0
098	Chair	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
108	Chair Hill	Closes worksession on HB 2124, opens worksession on HB 2142.
<u>WORKSESSION ON HB 2142</u>		
116	Yvonne Addington	Manager of the Regional Development Division in the Oregon Economic Development Department.
123	Neburka	Gives overview of HB 2142.
141	Rep. Wooten	Asks of Addington's expectations regarding the bill.
148	Addington	Mentions new allocations. States that it would increase flexibility in the program and that it would allow more cities to meet their infrastructure needs by increasing grant amounts. Explains that it is not a request for additional funds.
179	Chair Hill	Asks for the reasons for raising the population requirement.
183	Addington	Passes out hand-outs on population (EXHIBITS B and C). Explains the effects of changing the population requirements.
208	Chair Hill	Asks about the issue of ordinance versus resolution.
215	Addington	Outlines differences between an ordinance and a resolution (EXHIBIT D).
244	Rep. Whelan	Asks about raising grants and the effects on smaller communities.
257	Addington	Talks about the effects of technical assistance grants on the more needy communities.

285	Rep. Whelan	Asks about the costs of water treatment
290	Addington	Answers that the costs for smaller communities runs typically around a million dollars.
299	Rep. Whelan	Asks if there are both federal and state grants.
304	Addington	Answers affirmatively. Requests that the ceiling for grants and loans be raised.
324	Chair Hill	Asks about limits, asks if communities have "maxed out" the funds available.
334	Addington	States that the waste water fund rolls over from year to year so that they haven't had a problem with obtaining funds.
341	Rep. Wooten	Remarks that she feels it is important to maintain cap.
349	Rep. Hill	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT the amendments offered by the Yvonne Addington to HB 2142.
350		VOTE: 4-0
	Chair	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
357	Rep. Adams	Asks for clarification of population changes. Asks why counties are included along with municipalities.
377	Addington	Answers that counties are eligible as well.
400	Rep. Adams	Asks for the reasons behind proposed amendments.
403	Addington	Cites reasons for proposed amendments: * costs of technical assistance * feasibility for smaller communities
TAPE 4, A		
020	Rep. Adams	Asks if it makes a difference to the cities, e.g., Wilsonville, and why the grants were started at \$5,000.
025	Addington	Gives short history of technical assistance grants.
027	Rep. Wooten	Cites in-migration necessitating larger grants and that cities uniformly want increased grants, but the question is whether they need it.
040	Addington	Mentions various projects undertaken by Wilsonville.
055	Rep. Adams	Cites recent population growth in Wilsonville. Asks what qualifies as a municipality.
065	Addington	Explains designation and its application for various projects.
070		Thanks the witness.

	Rep. Wooten	
082	Chair Hill	States that the committee will wait for the L.C. versions. Schedules worksession for Thursday. Closes worksession on HB 2124.
095	Rep. Adams	Asks of application for enterprise zones.
100	Chair Hill	Adjourns meeting at 9:04 A.M.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - HB 2124, Cam Preus-Preus-Braly, proposed amendment, 2 pp.

B - HB 2142, Yvonne Addington, population tables, 1 p.

C - HB 2142, Yvonne Addington, population tables, 1 p.

D - HB 2142, Yvonne Addington, written materials, 3 pp.