

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

January 31, 1997 Hearing Room H-170

1:00 P.M. Tapes 12 - 13

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Jackie Taylor, Vice-Chair

Rep. Richard Devlin

Rep. Jeff Kruse

Rep. Jane Lokan

Rep. Kitty Piercy

Rep. Steve Harper

MEMBER EXCUSED: Rep. Patricia Milne (Chair)

STAFF PRESENT:

Diane M. Quinones, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2046 PUBLIC HEARING

HB 2051 PUBLIC HEARING

HB 2072 PUBLIC HEARING

HB 2073 PUBLIC HEARING

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 12, A		
001	Vice-Chair Taylor	Calls the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Opens a public hearing on HB 2046.
<u>PUBLIC HEARING HB 2046</u>		

005	Loni Shapiro	Member, Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, submits and presents written testimony in favor of HB 2046 (EXHIBIT A) .
040	Rep. Kruse	Asks what the direct impact of this bill will be.
043	Shapiro	HB 2046 brings Oregon in line with national standards.
050	Vice-Chair Taylor	Asks if this bill takes away the board's practice of examining occupational therapists.
056	Shapiro	Explains that the board does not conduct examinations.
066	Shapiro	* refers to letter sent by Chris Hencinski, Director, Occupational Therapy Assistant Program, Mt. Hood Community College (EXHIBIT B) , in support of HB 2046 * refers to letter from Pacific University Occupational Therapy School in support of HB 2046 (EXHIBIT C)
070	Rep. Lokan	Asks for the definition of "occupational therapy."
075	Shapiro	* Occupational Therapists look at work, play, and leisure skills of people that have physical, mental, and emotional disabilities from birth or as a result of an injury.
082	Rep. Lokan	Asks where therapy is conducted.
086	Shapiro	* homes * hospitals * long term care facilities
098	Vice-Chair Taylor	Closes the public hearing on HB 2046.
099	Vice-Chair Taylor	Opens a public hearing on HB 2051.
<u>PUBLIC HEARING HB 2051</u>		
103	Peggy Smith	Executive Officer, Occupational Therapy Board, submits and presents written testimony in favor of HB 2051 (EXHIBIT D) .
140	Rep. Devlin	Asks if there are occupational therapy assistants currently working without supervision.
144	Smith	Responds negatively. * Statutes require supervision of occupational therapy assistants.
152	Rep Harper	Asks if there has been communication from occupational therapy assistants regarding this legislation.
158	Smith	* refers to Letter of support for HB 2051 from Chris Hencinski, MS, OTR/L, Director, Mt. Hood Community College, Occupational Therapy Assistant Program (EXHIBIT E)

		* refers to letter of support for HB 2051 from Molly McEwen, Director, School of Occupational Therapy, Pacific University (EXHIBIT F)
172	Rep Kruse	Asks for definition of "supervision."
176	Smith	Reads definition from her administrative rules.
189	Rep Lokan	Asks about the limits this bill places on future occupational therapists.
193	Smith	* The board she represents does not see any prohibitive limits that would be placed on existing or future therapists.
221	Rep Lokan	Asks about the problems with the current system.
228	Smith	* Definition changes will clarify the board's responsibilities and intentions.
233	Rep Lokan	Asks what problems brought about a need for this bill.
238	Smith	A letter from the Oregon State Hospital with a concern about the term "consultation" vs. "supervision" prompted the appointment and meeting of a task force to discuss the definition of supervision vs. consultation.
275	Vice-Chair Taylor	Closes the public hearing on HB 2051.
276	Vice-Chair Taylor	Opens a public hearing on HB 2072.
<u>PUBLIC HEARING HB 2072</u>		
280	Lianne Thompson	Executive Officer, Board of Radiological Technology, presents testimony regarding her board and its position of support for HB 2072. Defines radiological technology.
325	Thompson	* discusses the intent of the Board of Radiological Technology * explains the need to recoup costs of malpractice investigations and disciplinary proceedings
364	Rep. Piercy	Asks about recouping costs of innocent radiologists.
375	Thompson	* Investigations and the costs they incur do not proceed without clear and compelling evidence.
<u>TAPE 13, A</u>		
003	Rep. Kruse	Asks about the specific costs the board wants to recoup.
010	Thompson	Discusses the intention of the legislation. * attaching wrong doers to the wrong doing and the costs incurred
022	Rep. Kruse	Asks about how often those in the wrong are pursued and caught and what are the usual costs from start to finish.
		The board has decided that enough cases have occurred to warrant this legislation.

026	Thompson	* For the biennium, \$25,000 is budgeted for an investigator.
034	Rep. Piercy	Asks about the process that is followed from the time a complaint is heard, to the finished hearing.
040	Thompson	Discusses the process that occurs when wrong doing is suspected. * how a complaint comes to the office * what happens during the process of investigation
080	Rep. Piercy	Asks about the costs of the whole process.
083	Thompson	* investigators are \$25,000 a biennium * insufficient data exists to give a complete answer
092	Rep. Devlin	Asks about language in measure. Asks for information about what similar boards do to recoup investigative costs.
110	Rep. Harper	Asks about defining "prorated" in the fee structure.
118	Thompson	Discusses what the fees are at present. * \$35.00 or \$70.00
150	Rep. Harper	Asks about proration on an annual basis vs. a monthly basis.
154	Thompson	Explains the current practice for charging fees.
170	Vice-Chair Taylor	Asks about the boards intention to recoup costs from licensed technicians as well as unlicensed persons.
189	Thompson	The board wishes to recoup costs from both parties discussed.
194	Vice-Chair Taylor	Closes the public hearing on HB 2072.
195	Vice-Chair Taylor	Opens a public hearing on HB 2073.
<u>PUBLIC HEARING HB 2073</u>		
205	Lianne Thompson	Executive Officer, Board of Radiological Technology, presents testimony in favor of HB 2073.
227	Rep Kruse	Asks how HB 2073 impacts customer service.
253	Thompson	For the purpose of her board, "customers" are defined as the radiological technicians it serves.
253	Rep Harper	Asks about the fiscal impact for HB 2073.
280	Thompson	Will do what she can to provide requested information.
285	Rep Devlin	Asks about the total staffing of her board.
288	Thompson	* 2.4 FTEs handle the board's staffing needs.

300	Rep Lokan	Asks about additional budgeting for the busy licensing period.
308	Thompson	At this time there are no plans to add additional staff.
332	Vice-Chair Taylor	Closes the public hearing on HB 2073.
333	Vice-Chair Taylor	Adjourns the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, Shapiro, 1 p

B - Mt. Hood Community College, Occupational Therapy Assistant Program, Hencinski, 2 pp.

C - Pacific University, School of Occupational Therapy, McEwen, 2 pp.

D - Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, Smith, 1 p

E - Mt. Hood Community College, Occupational Therapy Assistant Program, Hencinski, 2 pp.

F - Pacific University, School of Occupational Therapy, McEwen, 1 p