HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

February 26, 1997 Hearing Room H 170

1:00 P.M. Tapes 35 - 36

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Patti Milne, Chair

Rep. Jackie Taylor, Vice-Chair

Rep. Richard Devlin

Rep. Steve Harper

Rep. Jeff Kruse

Rep. Jane Lokan

Rep. Kitty Piercy

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT:

Lori Long, Administrator

Jennifer Peck, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2174 Public Hearing

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Tape/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 35, A		
002	Chair Milne	Opens meeting at 1:05 p.m.
004	Chair Milne	Opens public hearing on HB 2174.
HB 2174 PUBLIC HEARING 005	Elinor Hall	Administrator, Oregon Public Health Division, supports HB 2174.

015	Edward Johnson	Manager of Center for Health Statistics, State Registrar for vital statistics, Oregon Health Division. Presents (EXHIBIT A) in support of HB 2174. Explains the changes HB 2174 would make.
033	Rep. Kruse	Asks which portion of the bill Johnson is referring to.
036	Johnson	Specifies section 15.
041	Chair Milne	Asks if Johnson will be able to detail which language is new or old and where it comes from or has been moved to.
042	Johnson	Responds he will help with all of that.
043	Rep. Lokan	Asks if HB 2174 moves and adds language.
047	Johnson	Responds it does both. Refers to section 15, section 2-a and 2-b.
053	Rep. Kruse	Asks about the movement of the sections.
060	Rep. Harper	Comments the carrier could be designated at this time.
070	Johnson	Discusses the partial death certificate in section 15.
082		Discussion of page six, line 34, section 11 about death certificates with cause of death.
106	Johnson	Will find the specific section at a later time. Explains section 11.
115	Rep. Kruse	Reference to section 15 (13).
117	Johnson	Discussion of this portion.
133	Chair Milne	Asks if another area of HB 2174 explains this abbreviated section.
137	Rep. Lokan	Requests Johnson give the testimony then get to the specific sections.
142	Johnson	Discusses birth records as a primary source of identification internationally. Discusses penalties for those who try to illegally use or create birth certificates.
170	Johnson	Explains system of father's name being put on the birth certificate. Explains the bill would improve the vital records law.
193	Chair Milne	Asks about the current procedures for unmarried mothers dealing with their children's birth certificates.
196		Discussion of processing birth certificates with designation of who is the father.
229	Rep. Devlin	Asks about paternity as decided by courts or administrative.
236	Johnson	Explains procedures.
253	Rep.	Asks where the penalty provision section is.

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255	Johnson	Refers to page 20, sections 42 and 44. Discusses out-of-state fraud.
269	Rep. Piercy	Asks for procedures for death certificates in an unmarried situation.
271	Johnson	Explains the procedures.
289	Rep. Lokan	Asks about the changes concerning fetal death.
291	Johnson	Clarifies fetal death versus induced termination as two different death certificates.
323	Chair Milne	Asks where the definition came from.
324	Johnson	Explains it's a national definition.
338	Rep. Harper	Requests explanation of the specific language about fetal deaths.
363	Chair Milne	Requests specification of where the language originated.
370		Discussion of language used.
394	Rep. Piercy	Comments on keeping the statistics accurate from a survey/statistical standpoint for the state.
410	Chair Milne	Comments on the need for distinct understanding of what the literal changes are in HB 2174.
427	Rep. Devlin	Refers to section one, subsections four and seven and clarifies the goal is to avoid overlapping procedures or reported information.
437	Johnson	Agrees with this statement.
TAPE 36, A		
001	Rep. Devlin	Expresses concern that the language does not always mean what it gets interpreted to mean.
007	Rep. Taylor	Explains a distinction should be made between terms such as fetal death and induced termination.
018	Rep. Harper	Asks how the problem is currently answered.
020	Johnson	Describes current procedures.
033	Rep. Harper	Clarifies that it is current procedure to currently use the national language and definitions, but that HB 2174 would officially put the definition in the language.
038	Chair Milne	Asks for clarification of the fetal death certificate.
039	Johnson	Explains a fetal death is recorded if a woman has a miscarriage of over 20 weeks but an induced termination is recorded for abortions.
043	Harper	Asks about induced terminations.
<u> </u>		Explains induced terminations are reported, but not given a death

044	Johnson	certificate.
050	Rep. Lokan	Asks about fetal deaths compared to miscarriages.
052	Johnson	Clarifies the difference.
060	Chair Milne	Asks for clarification.
061	Johnson	Clarifies the difference and explains that under 20 weeks a fetal death is not recorded.
068	Rep. Devlin	Asks about miscarriage terminology.
079	Johnson	Clarifies the terminology.
090	Chair Milne	Asks about line 26.
091	Johnson	Discussion of fetal death.
109	Rep. Kruse	Asks what happened to section 36.
121	Johnson	Explains the legislative counsel's procedures concerning section numbering.
140	Chair Milne	Requests a walk-through of HB 2174 for discussion.
147	Johnson	Agrees to walk through the bill with the committee.
165	Chair Milne	Stands committee at ease.
166	Johnson	Suggests coming back to the committee later with clearer explanations.
170	Chair Milne	Requests materials from Johnson before the next meeting for members to review.
177	Rep. Harper	Asks if there is a current penalty referring to page 21, line six.
180	Johnson	Explains these are new penalties.
187	Rep. Harper	Requests a definition of "Class A Misdemeanor."
191	Johnson	Will supply the definition.
192	Rep. Kruse	Asks for definition of "vital statistics."
202	Lori Long	Committee Administrator. Refers to page two, lines 25-32, subsections 14 and 15 for definitions.
223	Rep. Devlin	Suggests the committee should narrow down the purpose of HB 2174.
233	Johnson	States the purpose of the bill is to clarify the records.
239	Chair Milne	Closes public hearing and adjourns meeting at 1:51 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - HB 2174, written testimony, Edward Johnson, 3 pp