

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

April 14, 1997 Hearing Room 170

1:00PM Tapes 74 - 75

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

Berri Sellers, Administrative Support

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2747 Public Hearing

HB 2894 Public Hearing

HB 3605 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 74, A		
003	Chair Milne	Calls meeting to order at 1:47pm, opens public hearing on HB 2747.
<u>HB 2747</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		

011	Rep. Frank Shields	District 16, provides testimony in support of HB 2747 (EXHIBIT A). Continues with summary of the -1 and -2 amendments (EXHIBIT B).
066	Rep. Taylor	Questions if the intent of the bill focuses on a single primary caregiver.
070	Rep. Shields	Responds affirmatively.
084	Kathryn Weit	Oregon Developmental Disabilities Council, provides testimony in support of HB 2747. Notes that there are an increasing number of family members providing care for family members.
098	Rep. Lokan	Questions if the bill allows for multiple insurance plans.
106	Weit	Responds that she would like to review the amendments before answering.
122	Tom Gallagher	Representative, Oregon Association of Home Care, provides testimony in support of HB 2747.
136	Rep. Taylor	Closes public hearing on HB 2747, opens public hearing on HB 2894.
HB 2894 PUBLIC HEARING		
144	Lori Long	Committee Administrator, provides overview of HB 2894.
151	Hersh Crawford	Director, Oregon Medical Assistance Programs, continues with summary of the competitive bidding process.
221	Rep. Lokan	Questions if the administrative costs would decrease over time.
228	Crawford	Responds that the costs should decrease over time. Notes that there is no guarantee that the cost of the plans would decrease.
246	Rep. Lokan	Questions if other states utilize this type of procedure.
251	Crawford	Responds that 5-10 other states utilize managed care health plans and two states use the competitive bid process for managed care.
267	Rep. Devlin	Questions the contract term length.
277	Crawford	Responds that he does not have that information.
290	Rep. Devlin	Questions the membership of the Oregon Health Plan.
294	Crawford	Responds that about 11 percent of the state are enrolled in the Oregon Health Plan.
318	Rep. Piercy	Questions why there are few clients auto-assumed.
325	Hersh	Responds that the clients have to choose which plan they want.
335	Rep. Piercy	Questions if there is a demand for the competitive bidding process.
345	Crawford	Responds no.
361	Bruce Bishop	Representing Kaiser Permanente, provides testimony in opposition to HB 2894.

398	Jeff Heatherington	Representing, Family Care, provides testimony in opposition to HB 2894. Notes that the competitive bidding process undermines cost-savings.
464	Rep. Harper	Comments on providers not renewing contracts with OHP due to high administrative costs.
TAPE 75,A		
035	Heatherington	Responds that several plans have experienced significant losses.
044	Mark Nelson	Public Affairs Counsel, RJR Reynolds, provides testimony in support of HB 2894. Continues with increased costs of OHP, lack of competitive bids currently, and the automatic 6 percent administrative fee.
126	John Powell	Representing Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Oregon, provides testimony in opposition to HB 2894.
184	Philip Lebeque	Represents Association for Retired Person, provides testimony regarding HB 2894.
216	Chair Milne	Closes public hearing on HB 2894, opens public hearing on HB 3605.
<u>HB 3605</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		
222	Rep. Floyd Prozanski	District 40, provides testimony in support of HB 3605 (EXHIBIT D). Continues summary of the -1 and -2 amendments (EXHIBIT E).
366	Robert Bennett	Provides testimony in support of HB 3605. Comments on the enrolling process to the Oregon Health Plan.
409	Kirsten Bennett	Provides testimony in support of HB 3605.
440	Lisha Conner	Provides testimony in support of HB 3605.
TAPE 74, B		
045	Anne Frye	Member of the Oregon Direct-Entry Midwifery Licensing Board, provides testimony regarding concerns with HB 3605.
088	Rep. Piercy	Questions if this issue could be addressed through administrative rules rather than legislation.
095	Frye	Responds that it was the board's understanding that OMAP was addressing that issue.
100	Maryl Smith	Licensed Direct-Entry Midwife, Vice-President Oregon Midwifery Council, Regional Representative Portland Metro Area Midwives, provides testimony and background of HB 3605.
184	Holly Sholus	Director of the Birthing and Midwifery Center, provides testimony in support of HB 3605. Comments on their commitment to providing care to women.
222	Rep. Taylor	Questions the midwives fee schedule.

227	Sholus	Responds with explanation of the fee schedules.
259	Chair Milne	Questions why administrative rules were not completed and what happened to the legislation from the 1995 session.
264	Crawford	Provides testimony in opposition to HB 3605 (EXHIBIT C). Responds that the original bill requires that OMAP pay licensed midwives, at that time midwives were unlicensed. Continues with the conflict between midwifery and the managed care concept.
319	Rep. Devlin	Questions if managed care works exclusively with physicians.
328	Crawford	Responds that many plans utilize nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurse midwives. Direct-entry midwives do not have the formal education, training or liability coverage that other professions are required to maintain.
341	Rep. Piercy	Questions if this bill requires OMAP to accept licensed direct entry midwives into the OHP.
348	Crawford	Responds affirmatively, OMAP would be unable to place any restrictions on access.
340	Chair Milne	Requests any written testimony be submitted (EXHIBIT F). Closes public hearing on HB 3605, adjourns the meeting at 3:05pm.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - HB 2747, Written testimony, Rep. Shields, 1pp.

B - HB 2747, -1 and -2 amendments, Rep. Shields, 1pp

C - HB 3605, Written testimony, Hersh Crawford, 2pp

D - HB 3605, Written testimony, Rep. Prozanski, 4pp

E - HB 3605, -1 and -2 amendments, Rep. Prozanski, 2pp

F - HB 3605, Written materials, Staff, 1pp.