

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ELECTIONS

May 21, 1997 Hearing Room E

4:00 P.M. Tapes 68-69

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Lynn Snodgrass, Chair

Rep. Lee Beyer

Rep. Bill Markham

Rep. Ken Messerle

Rep. Bob Montgomery

Rep. Kitty Piercy

MEMBER EXCUSED: Rep. Peter Courtney, Vice-Chair

STAFF PRESENT: Rosemary Wood, Administrator

Valerie Luhr, Administrative Support

Kellie Shoemaker, Committee Clerk

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: HB 2001 Public Hearing and Work Session

SJR 34 Work Session

SB 138 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 68, A		
004	Chair Snodgrass	Calls the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m. Opens the public hearing on HB 2001.
<u>HB 2001 - PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
013	Scott Corwin	Representative, Office of the Speaker of the House. Submits and explains the HB 2001-3 amendments [EXHIBIT A].
060	Rep. Markham	Asks if there is a penalty for filing similar initiatives.

	Corwin	Refers to paragraph 12 and indicates that the committee won't have to file another report.
	Rep. Markham	Asks if the committee will be penalized if they don't file a report.
	Corwin	No, there will not be a penalty.
072	Rep. Piercy	Asks how different issues in similar petitions will be handled.
	Corwin	Suggests that the differing issues will be addressed by the committee and they will issue a statement indicating that the petitions are the same except for the different issue.
083	Rep. Piercy	Asks if there was discussion about whether or not to allow the chief petitioner to submit the measure for review.
	Corwin	Answers affirmatively. Indicates that there has been discussion through out the process on whether the review process should be mandatory or optional. Suggests that if the review process isn't mandatory, then the initiative process hasn't improved.
097	Rep. Markham	Verifies that if the original petitioner does not like what suggestions the review committee has, the petitioner can continue with the original petition.
	Corwin	Answers affirmatively. Indicates that there are no mandatory provisions in the bill.
	Rep. Markham	Asks if the committee would look at the petition after it reaches the office of the Secretary of State.
	Corwin	Indicates that Legislative Counsel reviews the petition for drafting errors prior to filing with the Secretary of State.
	Rep. Markham	Understands that the petitioner must file the petition directly with the Secretary of State.
	Corwin	Explains the process of filing a petition.
	Rep. Markham	Verifies that if the petitioner doesn't like suggestions from the review committee, then the petitioner can still file the original petition.
	Corwin	Answers affirmatively.
147	Chair Snodgrass	Closes the public hearing on HB 2001 and opens a work session on HB 2001.
<u>HB 2001 - WORK SESSION</u>		
150	Chair Snodgrass	Clarifies that the -3 amendments replace the original bill and that no other amendment will need to be adopted.
160	Rep. Markham	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2001-3 amendments dated 5/21/97.
		VOTE: 5-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.

		EXCUSED: 2 - Beyer, Courtney
	Chair Snodgrass	The motion CARRIES.
171	Chair Snodgrass	Closes work session on HB 2001. Opens public hearing on SJR 34.
<u>SJR 34 - WORK SESSION</u>		
183	Chair Snodgrass	Comments on the SJR 34-2 amendments. (EXHIBIT B) Indicates that the amendments create the annual session formula and defines the terms of representatives and senators.
231	Rep. Beyer	Describes benefits for annual sessions. Describes how Washington State allows bill to be carried over from annual sessions. Suggests that annual sessions will be more productive.
374	Rep. Messerle	Asks why there are different starting months for odd and even years.
	Chair Snodgrass	Indicates that the schedule will add flexibility to the process.
288	Rep. Piercy	Expresses concern for the 120 day time period. Suggests that the time period is too short.
	Rep. Markham	Indicates that legislators will be forced to be productive.
	Chair Snodgrass	Uses the current session as an example for ineffective use of time. Indicates that many of the 4000 bills this session are duplicates. Suggests that the shorter time period will focus legislators.
309	Rep. Beyer	Agrees with Rep. Markham. Suggests that legislators could move contentious issues to the second session allowing more time for study. Indicates that many states have yearly sessions.
	Rep. Montgomery	Clarifies starting times for the two sessions. Asks if legislators will be productive in late December, trying to plan for the upcoming session.
	Chair Snodgrass	Explains purpose for organizational days in December.
	Rep. Montgomery	Verifies that the legislative body will not be paid until they return for session in January.
	Chair Snodgrass	Indicates that per diem salaries will start when the legislative session begins in January.
354	Rep. Beyer	Describes the two thoughts behind the December organizational session. First is to organize the legislature as close to the election as possible. Second, the Secretary of State needs 30 days to certify elections. Suggests that the organizational session can last one day if everyone is prepared.
388	Rep. Markham	Asks when a legislator will be sworn in.

	Rep. Beyer	During organizational session.
412	Chair Snodgrass	Closes public hearing on SJR 34.
TAPE 69, A		
002	Chair Snodgrass	Opens public hearing on SB 138.
<u>SB 138 - PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
005	Rosemary Wood	Committee Administrator, Reviews the provisions of the bill. Reads into the record, testimony from Peggy Dooley (EXHIBIT C) and the Oregon Disabilities Commission (EXHIBIT D).
019	Katy Coba	Director of Executive Appointments, Governor's Office, presents testimony on SB 138.
025	Rep. Markham	Asks how it will be decided as to which appointments will have Senate confirmation.
	Coba	Indicates that the decision will be made on the basis of interest expressed by the legislature.
	Rep. Markham	Notifies that a council related to podiatry was left on the list.
	Coba	States that the list is of current confirmations that will be removed from the confirmation list.
	Chair Snodgrass	Indicates that Ms. Coba and Rep. Markham are looking at different lists.
	Coba	Suggests that there are a number of health related licensing boards that the Senate has kept on the list for confirmation.
054	Rep. Piercy	Indicates that the Oregon Disabilities Commission wants to stay on the confirmation list.
	Coba	Suggests that the members of boards believe that it is valuable to appear before the Senate.
069	Rep. Piercy	Suggests that the Oregon Disabilities Commission is different than other groups on the confirmation list, since they are more of an advocacy group.
	Chair Snodgrass	Asks how the Governor came up with the lists.
	Coba	Indicates that she and Sen. Derfler created the list.
	Chair Snodgrass	Asks if the Oregon Disabilities Commission made their case on the Senate side also.
	Coba	Indicates that they did not make their case on the Senate side.
	Rep. Markham	Verifies that the Oregon Disabilities Commission did not show up on the Senate side.
	Coba	Answers affirmatively.

	Rep. Montgomery	Asks if there will be a work session on the bill today seeing that the Senate did have in depth discussions on the bill.
101	Rep. Piercy	Respects the wishes of the Oregon Disabilities Commission and would like to spend the time to remove them from the confirmation list.
	Rep. Markham	Asks if removing boards and commissions will lessen the work load.
	Coba	Explains that there are over 200 boards and commissions that have appointments.
130	Chair Snodgrass	Asks what the best way would be to conceptually amend the bill.
	Coba	Suggests deleting a section of the bill and the existing statutory language will remain pertaining to commissions.
149	Chair Snodgrass	Closes the public hearing on SB 138 and opens a work session on SB 138.
<u>SB 138</u> <u>WORK</u> <u>SESSION</u>		
165	Rep. Montgomery	MOTION: Moves to CONCEPTUALLY AMEND SB 138A on page 1 delete lines 18-28 and on page 10, delete lines 1-17. Sections 2 and 14 dealing with the Oregon Disabilities Commission and Tax Service Examiners respectively.
		VOTE: 5-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Beyer, Courtney
190	Chair Snodgrass	The motion CARRIES.
192	Rep. Montgomery	MOTION: Moves SB 138A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 5-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Beyer, Courtney
198	Chair Snodgrass	The motion CARRIES. REP. PIERCY will lead discussion on the floor.
199	Chair Snodgrass	Closes work session on SB 138. Declares the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - HB 2001, -3 amendments, Scott Corwin, 10 pp.

B - SJR 34A, -A2 amendments, Committee Staff, 2 pp.

C - SB 138A, Presented testimony, Peggy Dooley, 1 p.

D - SB 138A, Presented testimony, Eugene Organ, 1 p.