

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

April 23, 1997 Hearing Room D

8:30 AM Tapes 88 - 89

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Bob Montgomery, Chair

Rep. Mike Lehman, Vice-Chair

Rep. Tim Josi

Rep. Jane Lokan

Rep. Bill Markham

Rep. Lonnie Roberts

Rep. Larry Wells

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT:

Janet Adkins, Policy Analyst

Erik Deitz, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2377 Work Session

HB 3128 Public Hearing

HB 3159 Public Hearing

HB 2988 Public Hearing

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Tape/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 88, A		
005	Chair Montgomery	Calls meeting to order at 8:37 AM, opens work session on HB 2377

<u>HB 2377</u> <u>WORK</u> <u>SESSION</u>		
010	Janet Adkins	Policy Analyst, explains HB 2377 and -2 amendments to committee and audience.
025	Rep. Markham	Asks what the penalty is for blocking a disabled parking space and what the penalty is for illegally occupying a disabled parking space.
043	Adkins	Responds.
044	Rep. Wells	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2377-2 amendments dated 04/21/97.
	Chair Montgomery	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
050	Rep. Wells	MOTION: Moves HB 2377 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 5-1 AYE: 5 - Josi, Lokan, Markham, Wells, Montgomery NAY: 1 - Lehman EXCUSED: 1 - Roberts
	Chair Montgomery	The motion CARRIES. REP. LUKE will lead discussion on the floor.
060	Chair Montgomery	Closes work session on HB 2377, opens public hearing on HB 3128.
<u>HB 3128</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		
064	Adkins	Explains HB 3128 to committee and audience.
072	Chair Montgomery	Recesses meeting at 8:44 AM.
076	Chair Montgomery	Reopens meeting at 8:46 AM.
081	Rep. Markham	Further explains HB 3128 to committee and audience.
090	Linda Adlard	City of Beaverton, testifies about photo radar and how effective it is for the use of traffic safety. Explains Beaverton's support for it's police officers and the importance of transportation. Would like to use cameras at traffic control devices to record license plates of red light runners.
140	Adlard	States that nationwide a red light is run every twelve minutes.
		Asks if Adlar if she has statistics on the number of people who run red

150	Rep. Lokan	lights in metro areas.
164	Adlard	Continues testimony. Explains how red light cameras will work and that it takes a picture of the violator and their license plate.
175	Rep. Roberts	Asks about language in HB 3128.
225	Adlard	Responds. Explains that the camera will be located on top of a tall poll. States that if the registered driver is not driving, the driver can fill out an affidavit stating such.
257	Rep. Markham	Asks if the bill on photo radar will be coming to our committee.
269	Adlard	Responds yes.
273	Chair Montgomery	Asks if the City of Beaverton will help pay for this system.
286	Adlard	Responds yes.
290	Rep. Lehman	Asks if there have been any complaints about government interfering with peoples lives because now their picture will be taken without their knowledge.
315	Adlard	Responds that she has had a few of these calls. Explains almost all people in Beaverton are in favor of photo radar.
335	Rep. Wells	Asks how much these cameras will cost.
346	Adlard	Responds \$50,000, also explains that they can be purchased or leased. States that the camera does the work of four police officers.
377	Rep. Markham	States that photo radar in Portland is a break-even deal, that no money is made.
389	Rep. Wells	Asks about cameras vs. officers and the money that will be made.
405	Rep. Lokan	Asks how many of these cameras Beaverton has.
414	Adlard	Responds one is in use at this time.
TAPE 89, A		
020	Forest Soth	City of Beaverton, states that he agrees with Adlard. Explains that he waits about five seconds before proceeding after the light turns green because he has had so many close calls. States that he has heard from a lot of Beaverton citizens that they would like to stop red light runners. States that this would give Beaverton another tool to enforce traffic safety and cut down on the labor hours for officers.
060	Chair Montgomery	Closes public hearing on HB 3128, opens public hearing on HB 3159.
<u>HB 3159</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		
070	Adkins	Explains HB 3159 to committee and audience.
093	Rep. Judith Uherbelau	District 52, testifies in favor of HB 3159 (EXHIBIT A). Discusses points from exhibit.

124	Tim Duerfelt	Traffic Safety Educator, testifies in favor of HB 3159 and that maturity does not always come with age. States the need to educate young drivers and increase the number of people that take a driver training course.
155	Rep. Roberts	States the need to educate drivers, talks about a lady that came in to testify that she took a test before and after a driver training course and that she received the same score. Asks if driver training actually makes a difference.
182	Duerfelt	Responds that driver training does make a difference.
189	Rep. Wells	Asks about driving simulators and how many the state has available.
198	Duerfelt	Responds that he is not sure of the number.
207	Del Freeman	Retired from Oregon Department of Education, states numbers of fatalities from on the job automobile accidents. Explains that automobile fatalities are on the rise. Testifies the difference between a person who has taken drivers training and those who have not.
257	Freeman	Explains the requirements for the teachers who teach drivers training. States that it is very easy to be certified to teach drivers training and that the requirements need to be raised.
294	Freeman	States that there is no standardization on how drivers training is being taught.
305	Rep. Roberts	Agrees with Freeman. Asks about driving simulators.
316	Freeman	States that Washington leads the way and is way ahead of the national average for the decline of automobile accidents. Explains that Washington has standardized its driver's training courses.
335	Rep. Uherbelau	Responds to Rep. Robert's questions about driving simulators.
385	Freeman	Asks if this bill will put the responsibility of drivers training on Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT).
392	Ed Marges	Oregon Department of Transportation, submits and presents testimony in support of HB 3159 (EXHIBIT B).
418	Rep. Lokan	Asks about funding for driver training courses.
420	Rep. Uherbelau	Responds that HB 3159 does not cover funding. Explains that in another bill there is a \$2 drivers license renewal fee that could be used to educate drivers.
TAPE 88, B		
040	Joanne Flint	Oregon Department of Education, testifies in favor of HB 3159. Explains who can teach drivers training and that the standards for teachers are low.
060	Rep. Markham	Asks if a teacher's certificate is required to teach driver's training.
080	Flint	Responds yes and that it is more important to have a good teacher than a good curriculum.

090	Rep. Josi	Asks if it is more important to have a certified teacher than a good driver training curriculum.
103	Flint	Responds yes.
110	Rep. Wells	States that wording allowing students to go to a private class is missing in HB 3159.
135	Flint	Testifies the Department of Education does not require driver training. Explains that driver training is a cost burden on school districts. Relates the number of students taking driver's training each year and the costs.
175	Rep. Wells	Asks if Flint has numbers on the private industry for drivers training.
179	Flint	Responds no.
190	Chair Montgomery	Closes public hearing on HB 3159, opens public hearing on HB 2988.
<u>HB 2988</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		
210	Susan Tripp	Deputy District Attorney Marion County (DDA), testifies in favor of HB 2988. Explains in the years she has been a DDA she has made some enemies. Explains that this bill would make her and her family safer.
249	Kelly Taylor	Oregon Department of Transportation, testifies that there will be a minimal impact if this bill passes. There would be a small number of people added to the list of protected people.
281	Rep. Wells	States that the list for people able to use their work address for their Department of Motor Vehicles records is growing and when will it end.
309	Chair Montgomery	Adjourns meeting at 9:55 AM.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - HB 3159, written testimony, Rep. Judith Uherbelau, 1p

B - HB 3159, written testimony, Ed Marges, 1p

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

April 23, 1997 Hearing Room C

3:00 PM Tape 90 - 91

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MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 3394 Public Hearing

HB 2939 Public Hearing

HB 3137 Public Hearing

HB 2672 Public Hearing

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TAPE 90, A		
005	Chair Montgomery	Calls meeting to order at 3:07 PM, opens public hearing on HB 3394.

<u>HB 3394</u>		
<u>PUBLIC</u>		
<u>HEARING</u>		
010	Janet Adkins	Policy Analyst, explains HB 3394 to committee and audience.
023	Rep. Carolyn Oakley	District 36, testifies in favor of HB 3394. Explains her bill to committee and gives definitions of some wording in HB 3394 (EXHIBIT A) .
073	Rep. Markham	Asks if buses can drop off children on the right side of the street that live on the left side of the street.
098	Debra Lincoln	Department of Education, Pupil Transportation, responds that buses can drop students off regardless of which side of the road they reside on.
110	Lincoln	Testifies against HB 3394, reads from written testimony (EXHIBIT B)
130	John Jolly	Oregon Department of Education, Pupil Transportation, testifies against HB 3394, states he agrees with Lincoln.
135	Larry Christiansen	Oregon Department of Transportation, Roadway Safety Program Coordinator, testifies against HB 3394. Explains that HB 3394 compromises children's safety and puts out a confusing message (EXHIBIT C) .
140	Chair Montgomery	Closes public hearing on HB 3394, opens public hearing on HB 3137.
<u>HB 3137</u>		
<u>PUBLIC</u>		
<u>HEARING</u>		
150	Adkins	Explains HB 3137 to committee and audience.
200	Rep. Larry Sowa	District 26, testifies in favor of HB 3137, explains that there aren't enough officers to ticket people for something as minor as driving in the left lane.
240	Rep. Markham	Asks if in this bill, is he illegal for driving 70 miles per hour in the right hand lane and how would a situation like that be handled.
256	Rep. Sowa	Responds his bill does not cover that.
260	Rep. Wells	Asks about specific wording in the bill.
270	Rep. Sowa	Responds.
290	Doug Tindall	Oregon Department of Transportation, testifies against HB 3137, reads from written testimony (EXHIBIT D) .
340	Sgt. Curt Curtis	Patrol Services of the Oregon State Police, testifies against HB 3137. Explains his concerns with the wording in HB 3137.
390	Sgt. Curtis	Explains the patrol officer's procedures for enforcing traffic statutes.
	Sgt. Curtis	Explains the growth in the state of Oregon and the problems that causes for highway safety.

TAPE 91, A		
020	Chair Montgomery	Closes public hearing on HB 3137, opens public hearing on HB 2939.
<u>HB 2939</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		
030	Chair Montgomery	Closes public hearing on HB 2939, opens public hearing on HB 2672.
<u>HB 2672</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		
035	Chair Montgomery	Closes public hearing on HB 2672
040	Chair Montgomery	Adjourns meeting at 3:40 PM.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - HB 3394, news paper article, Rep. Carolyn Oakley, 1p

B - HB 3394, written testimony, Debra Lincoln, 1p

C - HB 3394, written testimony, Larry Christianson, 1p

D - HB 3137, written testimony, Doug Tindall, 1p