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SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

February 17, 1997 Hearing Room C

9:00 AM Tapes 32 - 33

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Bob Kintigh, Chair

Sen. Bill Fisher, Vice-Chair

Sen. Bill Dwyer

Sen. Ted Ferrioli

Sen. Gary George

Sen. Veral Tarno

Sen. Thomas Wilde

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT:

Glen Stonebrink, Administrator

Brad Harper, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

SJR 8 Work Session

SB 302 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 32,A		
005	Chair Kintigh	Convenes meeting at 9:09 AM.
<u>SJR 8 WORK SESSION</u>		
010	Chair Kintigh	Chair suspends rules and requests unanimous consent to show his vote as aye on motion to pass SJR 8.
012	Chair Kintigh	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
<u>SB 302 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
015	Sen. Leonard	Summarizes background of SB 302.
030	Tracy Boyd	Citizen. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT A). Support for SB 302.
058	Sen. Leonard	Introduces amendments to SB 302 (EXHIBIT B).
075	Boyd	Discussion of SB 302.
085	Sen. Dwyer	Question regarding advantages of bill.
092	Sen. Leonard	Support for SB 302.
108	Sen. Dwyer	Expresses doubts regarding practical use of proposed measure. Current hunter safety program is adequate.
118	Sen. Leonard	Explanation of measure's purpose.
123	Sen. Dwyer	Comment
	Rod	Deputy Director, Department of Fish & Wildlife. Submits written

132	Ingram	testimony (EXHIBIT C). Discussion of history and of hunter safety program.
170	Sen. Dwyer	Question regarding international hunter safety program.
175	Ingram	Explanation that all states follow this criteria.
180	Sen. Dwyer	Question
185	Ingram	Response
188	Sen. Dwyer	Question regarding need for SB 302.
190	Ingram	Provides mandatory hunter safety program.
201	Sen. Dwyer	No problem exists under current system. Oregon is ranked best in country in terms of hunter safety.
211	Ingram	Agrees that problem is not pressing.
220	Sen. Dwyer	Question
226	Ingram	Comment
243	Sen. Tarno	Agrees with Sen. Dwyer's concerns.
258	Sen. Fisher	Question regarding non-resident hunters.
267	Ingram	Oregon accepts certificates of completion from other states.
278	Sen. Fisher	Question
280	Ingram	Response
293	Sen. Fisher	Question regarding age requirements and out-of-state status.
304	Ingram	No hunting permitted without certificate.
341	Sen. George	Question regarding actual risk factors. Vehicles more dangerous than guns.
363	Ingram	No statistical information.
379	Sen. George	Comment
400	Sen. Dwyer	Does not support SB 302.
TAPE 33,A		
017	Sen. Tarno	Does not support SB 302.
030	Sen. Ferrioli	Question regarding number of firearms in Oregon homes.
032	Ingram	No information
040	Sen. Ferrioli	Question regarding number of licensees.
042	Ingram	Response

045	Sen. Ferrioli	Comments
074	Ingram	Agrees that current hunter safety program is effective.
080	Rod Harder	Representing Sportsmen Defense Fund. Does not support SB 302.
106	Carl Barner	Hunter education instructor. Does not support original version of SB 302, but does not oppose bill with amendments.
138	Sen. Ferrioli	Comment regarding usefulness of volunteer instructors.
147	Sen. Dwyer	Comment regarding acknowledgment of volunteers.
157	Harder	Comment regarding international conference.
163	Jim Ebert	Representing Oregon Gun Owners. Does not oppose bill with amendments.
185	Sen. Wilde	Comment regarding background on safety issues. Does not support SB 302.
200	Chair Kintigh	Closes public hearing and makes announcements.
227	Chair Kintigh	Adjourns meeting at 9:53 AM.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Brad Harper Glen Stonebrink

Administrative Assistant Administrator

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - SB 302, written testimony, Tracy Boyd, 2 pp.

B - SB 302, proposed amendments, Senator Leonard, 1 p.

C - SB 302, written testimony, Rod Ingram, 2 pp.
