

SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

February 24, 1997 Hearing Room C

9:00AM Tapes 39 - 40

**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, Christin M. Smith, Administrators

Brad Harper, Paul Zolezzi, Administrative Support

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:**

SB 360 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.**

<b>Tape/#</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>TAPE 39, A</b>		
005	Chair Kintigh	Opens meeting and SB 360 public hearing at 9:00 AM.
<b><u>SB 360 PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
024	Fred Robinson	Introduces himself as Assistant State Forester with Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF). Explains SB 360 and submits <b>(EXHIBIT A)</b> .
	Robert	Introduces himself as State Fire Marshal. Explains and states support

064	Pannucio	for bill <b>(EXHIBIT B)</b> .
081	Jeff Schwance	Introduces himself as representing (ODF). States support for bill.
085	Dick Rudisile	Introduces himself as representing Boise Cascade Corporation and submits <b>(EXHIBIT C)</b> . Discusses need for bill.
175	Rudisile	Discusses need for better fire protection and provides suggestions for wildfire reduction. * need for thinning * reduction of fuel loads
230	Sen. Dwyer	Comments on expanding urban growth boundaries and impacts on fire fighting practices and strategies.
295	Sen. Tarno	Asks what procedures are in place in rural areas to assist in wildfire suppression.
300	Rudisile	Explains current fire fighting programs in Eastern Oregon.
312	Sen. Ferrioli	Asks what impact Governor's Forest Health Recommendation report will have on fire suppression activities.
320	Rudisile	Discusses Governor's Forest Health Recommendation report.
363	Chair Kintigh	Recesses at 9:30 AM for press release.
364	Chair Kintigh	Reconvenes meeting at 9:49 AM.
382	Sue Kupillas	Introduces herself as Jackson County Commissioner. Submits <b>(EXHIBIT D)</b> . States support for bill and gives demographic overview of Jackson County.
<b>TAPE 40, A</b>		
040	Kupillas	States concern about funding aspects of SB 360.
093	Sen. Wilde	Asks how strictly building code regulations are enforced in Jackson County.
095	Kupillas	Explains building code regulations in Jackson County.
131	Sen. Fisher	Asks what rights commissioners have in influencing fire fighting programs.
135	Kupillas	Explains commission's role in fire fighting programs. Discusses funding shortfalls of county government.
190	Rudisile	States bill should not die because of lack of funding.
211	Laurel Prairie-Kuntz	Introduces herself as Planning Director for Jackson County. Explains need for bill and discusses funding aspects.
270	Schwance	Begins slide show presentation detailing recent statewide wildfires.
<b>TAPE 39, B</b>		

048	Tim Keitz	Introduces himself as Prineville District Forester for (ODF).
070	George Chesley	Introduces himself as Emergency Services Coordinator for United States Forest Service. Begins overhead presentation describing 1996 wildfires in Deschutes National Forest.
115	Gary Marshall	Introduces himself as representing Bend Rural Fire Department. Describes 1996 Skeleton fire and fire suppression efforts.
136	Terry Silbaugh	Introduces himself as Emergency Services Coordinator for Deschutes County Sheriff's Department. Describes local agency efforts to suppress wildfires.
154	Chesley	Describes 1996 Skeleton fire and fire fighting procedures. Details agency coordination efforts.
260	Chesley	Shows video A detailing 1996 Skeleton fire.
370	Chesley	Continues overhead presentation.
384	Nancy Schlanger	Introduces herself as Deschutes County Commissioner. Describes Skeleton fire fighting efforts.
<b>TAPE 40, B</b>		
019	Marshall	Describes Skeleton fire fighting efforts and summarizes associated damages.
080	Marshall	Shows video B detailing 1996 Skeleton fire.
158	Chair Kintigh	Closes SB 360 public hearing and adjourns meeting at 10:58 AM.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Paul Zolezzi, Glen Stonebrink,

Administrative Assistant Administrator

**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

**A - SB 360 written testimony, Fred Robinson, 2 pp.**

**B - SB 360 written testimony, Robert Pannucio, 1 p.**

**C - SB 360 written testimony, Dick Rudisile, 9 pp.**

**D - SB 360 written testimony, Sue Kupillas, 3 pp.**

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