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SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LAW, AND GOVERNMENT

March 14, 1997 Hearing Room A

1:00 P.M. Tapes 103 - 105

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Neil Bryant, Chair

Sen. Randy Miller, Vice-Chair

Sen. Kate Brown

Sen. Gene Derfler

Sen. Randy Leonard

Sen. David Nelson

STAFF PRESENT:

Jan Nordlund, Administrator

Donna Arens, Administrative Support

MEASURE HEARD:

SB 650 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 103, A		
005	Chair Bryant	Opens meeting at 1:30 and opens public hearing on SB 650
<u>SB 650 - PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
013	Chair Bryant	States that he has written testimony from Bruce Zagar, attorney (EXHIBIT A)
029	Julie Clute	Certified substitute teacher, gives testimony in opposition to SB 650
164	Donna Jordan	Chair, Portland Board of Education, Portland Public Schools, gives testimony in support of SB 650 (EXHIBIT B)
214	Jordan	Continues testimony
247	Chair Bryant	Questions Jordan if changes in existing system would benefit education in Portland
256	Jordan	Replies that flexibility and opportunity are needed to improve current education system
266	Sen. Derfler	Questions Jordan about higher paid teachers
274	Jordan	Replies
319	Sen. Nelson	Comments on perception of school system
330	Jordan	Responds, comments about accountability and flexibility
352	Ken Allen	American Federation of State, Municipal and County Employees (AFSCME), gives testimony in opposition to SB 650 (EXHIBIT C) .
TAPE 104, A		
050	Allen	Continues testimony
086	Chair Bryant	Makes clarification regarding Allen's testimony and contracting services.
108	Sen. Leonard	Comments on Jordan's testimony
144	Chair Bryant	Comments that Dr. Jack Bierworth (Superintendent of Portland Public Schools) would like additional funding for schools.
164	Sen. Brown	Comments on Jordan's testimony, remarks about three-year contracts
174	Jordan	Responds that schools need a system that has clear standards and

		expectations.
196	Sen. Brown	Question on availability of bilingual and culturally diverse teachers
200	Jordan	Responds, makes comments about Dr. Bierworth's position on SB 650
235	Sen. Derfler	Comments about three calls he has received from Dr. Bierworth in which he (Dr. Bierworth) was in support of SB 650.
255	Rich Peppers	Oregon Public Employees Union (OPEU), gives testimony in opposition to SB 650 (EXHIBIT D).
317	Ed Edwards	Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA), gives testimony in opposition to SB 650.
TAPE 103, B		
012	Ron Rogers	President ,Oregon School Employee Association, gives testimony in opposition to SB 650.
048	Chair Bryant	Makes reference to SB 750 (1995)
050	Rogers	Responds
054	Paul Krissel	Executive Director, OSEA, gives testimony in opposition to SB 650.
104	Krissel	Continues testimony
157-281	Jennifer Heiss	Chair, Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC), gives testimony in opposition to SB 650 (EXHIBIT E,F).
282	Sen. Brown	Questions if teachers are professionally licensed like lawyers and accountants are.
295	Heiss	Responds
297	Martin Morris	TSPC, gives testimony in opposition to Sections 21 through 28 and Section 41 of SB 650 (EXHIBIT G).
TAPE 104, B		
040	Sen. Brown	Remarks on concerns over teachers losing tenure
045	Morris	Responds
068	David Myton	Executive Secretary, TSPC, gives testimony (EXHIBIT H)
105	Francis Charbonnier	School Board Member, McMinnville School District #40, gives testimony (EXHIBIT I, J)
155	Charbonnier	Continues testimony
173	Chair Bryant	Questions how many administrators there are.
175	Charbonnier	Responds that there are 13 administrators with permanent status and 5 more that are gaining permanent status next year.
206	Sen. Brown	Questions if there is a problem gathering evidence for dismissal of teachers.
216	Charbonnier	Responds
256	Sen. Brown	Comments on cases with Fair Dismissal Appeals Board

268	Charbonnier	Remarks on matter of costs
298	Sen. Derfler	Comments that he hopes SB 650 would be applied to management more than teachers.
308	Charbonnier	Agrees with Sen. Derfler
357	Sen. Brown	Comments that Oregon schools spend the least money per student
361	Charbonnier	Responds
383	Sen. Brown	Remarks about success of Portland Public Schools
420	Chair Bryant	States his intent for amendments to SB 650
427	Sen. Brown	Question about probationary periods
TAPE 105, A		
050	Chair Bryant	Continues stating intent for amendments to SB 650
064	Sen. Brown	Comments on quality of testimony regarding SB 650.
097	Chair Bryant	States that members have been given testimony from Ken Berry, Oregon Alliance of Black School Educators (EXHIBIT K).
117	Chair Bryant	Adjourns committee at 3:10 pm.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

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Administrative Support Administrator

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - SB 650, Written testimony, Bruce Zagar, 5 pp

B- SB 650, Written testimony, Donna Jordan, 2 pp

C- SB 650, Written testimony, Ken Allen, 7 pp

D- SB 650, Written testimony, Rich Peppers, 3 pp

E- SB 650, Written testimony, Jennifer Heiss, 2 pp

F- SB 650, Written testimony, Jennifer Heiss, 5 pp

G- SB 650, Written testimony, Martin Morris, 3 pp

H- SB 650, Written testimony, David Myton, 2 pp

I- SB 650, Written testimony, Francis Charbonnier, 5 pp

J- SB 650, Written testimony, Francis Charbonnier, 1 p.

K- SB 650, Written testimony, Oregon Alliance of Black School Educators, 1 p.

L- SB 650, Submitted testimony, Oregon Federation of Teachers, Education and Health Professionals, 1 p.

M- SB 650, Faxed testimony, J.D. Wickham, 1 p.
