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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**January 30, 1997 Hearing Room B**

**3:00PM Tapes 10 - 11**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Sen. Jeannette Hamby, Vice-Chair**

**Sen. Lenn Hannon**

**Sen. Marylin Shannon**

**Sen. Susan Castillo**

**Sen. Thomas Wilde**

**MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Bill Fisher, Chair**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

**Anne E. Tweedt, Administrator**

**Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Administrative Support**

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:**

**Public Hearing and Possible Work Session:**

\* SB 93

**Informational Meeting:**

\* Ed Nieuburt, Health Programs Manager,

**Insurance Division**

**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 10, A</b>		
008	Vice-chair Hamby	Calls meeting to order 3:10pm
<b><u>SB 93 - PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
013	Lewis Littlehailes	Program Executive, Insurance Division, Department of Consumer and Business Services. Testifies in support of SB 93. ( <b>EXHIBIT A</b> ). Defines Medicare Supplement insurance.
058	Littlehailes	Continues testimony in support of SB 93.
070	Vice-chair Hamby	Closes Public Hearing SB 93
<b><u>SB 93 - WORK SESSION</u></b>		
072	Vice-chair Hamby	Opens Work Session SB 93
073	Sen. Hannon	Expresses potential conflict of interest, comments on SB 93.
<b>080</b>	<b>Sen. Hannon</b>	<b>MOTION: Moves SB 93 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.</b>
<b>084</b>		<b>VOTE: 5-0</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Bill Fisher, Chair</b>
	Vice-chair Hamby	Hearing no objection, declares the motion <b>CARRIED.</b>  <b>SEN. HANNON will lead discussion on the floor.</b>

<b><u>INFORMATIONAL MEETING</u></b>		
094	Vice-Chair Hamby	Comments and introductions.
100	Ed Nieuburt	Manager of Health Programs, Insurance Division, Department of Consumer and Business Services. Begins overview of health care reform in SB 152 (1995) ( <b>EXHIBIT B</b> ).  Reviews objectives and net results.
162	Nieuburt	Continues presentation, covering key issues of small and general group reforms.
263	Nieuburt	Continues coverage of individual market and portability reforms.
343	Nieuburt	Continues explanation of premium rates.
389	Nieuburt	Continues explanation of Oregon Medical Insurance Pool, and high risk category.
<b>TAPE 11, A</b>		
005	Nieuburt	Continues with funding explanation and affordability for clients in high risk category. Continues overview and key issues of portability reforms.
041	Nieuburt	Discussion continues with self-insurance coverage, which is not subject to state regulation, and reforms addressing this area.
059	Nieuburt	Continues presentation outlining reform impact.
107	Nieuburt	Continues presentation.
134	Sen. Shannon	Questions why the smoking issue was not addressed with SB 152 (1995)?
136	Nieuburt	Explains the complexity of the issue; wellness versus health behavior.
155	Nieuburt	Continues waiver and exclusion impact.  Moves on to portability and acceptance of this reform. Some gaps in portability, being addressed in SB 98.
217	Nieuburt	Compares the federal reform impact with Oregon's:  * preexisting conditions  * small employer plans  * portability of group coverage
		Closing comments directed towards affordability as key issue

266	Niebuurt	for the remaining uninsured population.
295	Sen. Shannon	Declares meeting adjourned at 3:58pm.

**Submitted By, Reviewed By,**

**Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Anne E. Tweedt,  
Administrative Support Administrator**

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**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

**A - SB 93, written testimony, Littlehales, 1pp.**

**B - Overview of Health Insurance Reform, Niebuurt, 2pp.**

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