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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

March 25, 1997 Hearing Room B

3:00 P.M. Tapes 42 - 43

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Bill Fisher, Chair

Sen. Jeannette Hamby, Vice-Chair

Sen. Marylin Shannon

Sen. Susan Castillo

Sen. Thomas Wilde

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Lenn Hannon

STAFF PRESENT:

Anne E. Tweedt, Administrator

Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Administrative Support

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

Informational Meeting

Report of the Consumer Standards Workgroup

* **Kerry Barnett, Director, Department of Consumer and Business Services**

* **Barney Speight, Administrator, Oregon Health Plan**

* **Gwen Dayton, Deputy, Legislative Counsel**

* **Additional Workgroup Members**

SB 482 Work Session

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 42, A		
003	Chair Fisher	Calls meeting to order at 3:11pm, opens informational meeting.
<u>INFORMATIONAL MEETING</u>		
015	Kerry Barnett	Director, Department of Consumer and Business Services, presents overview of health care reform and goals of the consumer standards workgroup. Continues focus on managed health care.
095	Barnett	Continues overview and provides background of SB 21-4.
180	Barney Speight	Administrator, Oregon Health Plan, provides analysis of the proposed bill. Notes that 70 percent of the bill is complete, additional work is needed on the remaining 30 percent.
201	Vice-chair Hamby	Questions the satisfaction level of the consumer participants?
209	Barnett	Responds that the consumer representatives would like more in the bill, but they are satisfied with what is currently in the bill.
216	Vice-chair Hamby	Comments that the national movement is directed towards reducing citizen initiative effort. Questions if the remaining portions of the bill could be addressed within the scorecard issue?
230	Speight	Responds that the bill does reference the performance measurement.
239	Vice-chair Hamby	Questions if the unfinished portions of the bill are within the scorecard jurisdiction?
		Responds that the bill requests the consortium to operate as usual and submit a report. Responds to Sen. Hamby's first question, that

243	Speight	all participating parties have benefited from this workgroup. Continues with mandatory disclosure to purchasers and enrollees.
338	Speight	Continues with grievance and appeal process and risk sharing between health plan and providers.
390	Speight	Overview continues with health promotion and disease prevention activities, reporting of prevention measures for chronic and acute conditions, reporting would be standardized by DCBS.
TAPE 43, A		
010	Speight	Continues with reviewing the prudent lay person rule. Notes DCBS's role as authority to appoint health care consumer protection advisory committee, and as the oversight agency.
064	Speight	Continues section by section overview of SB 21-4.
098	Chair Fisher	Announces public hearing and possible work session for April 8, 1997.
111	Sen. Castillo	Questions if the completed bill will have consensus of all parties involved?
113	Speight	Responds that the goal is for consensus, however, each party may request changes.
119	Chair Fisher	Acknowledges the time and work of the workgroup.
131	John Powell	Representing Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Oregon, provides testimony on behalf of Dr. John Santa. Comments that Dr. Santa and Blue Cross/Blue Shield are committed to this measure.
160	Diana M. Bianco	Attorney, Oregon Advocacy Center, provides testimony representing consumer concerns (EXHIBIT A). Notes four key concerns: * disclosure of information to consumers * grievances and appeals * reporting to the Department of Consumer & Business Services * involvement of consumers * emergency care
236	Pat Kabele	Health Policy Specialist, Oregon Nurses Association, provides testimony in support of SB 21-4 (EXHIBIT B). Notes ongoing concerns: clinical sovereignty and financial incentives or disincentives offered by health plans.
		Director of Government Affairs, Oregon Medical Association, provides survey results (EXHIBIT C) surrounding consumer

353	Scott Gallant	protection/disclosure issue. Comments that this workgroup represented a diverse group of interests and backgrounds that ultimately processed the health care issue to better provide for Oregonians.
TAPE 42, B		
003	Gallant	Summarizes presentation.
015	Chair Fisher	Questions if the workgroup considered and/or requested input from non-workgroup participants?
025	Bianco	Responds that the Oregon Advocacy Center was available to accept and provide any information to non participating organizations.
030	Gallant	Responds that when questions were raised with the OMA they were passed on to the workgroup.
033	Chair Fisher	Comments that continuing forward with SB 21 is a goal of the committee. Questions if the workgroup's position is to keep the measure in its current form, or should there be an opportunity to add amendments?
048	Powell	Responds that to readdress issues could lead to redebate and the wasting of valuable committee time.
061	Bianco	Notes that this workgroup has been an open process.
065	Chair Fisher	Questions if others not involved in the workgroup, should have an opportunity to voice their concerns?
075	Gallant	Responds that the workgroup meetings have been very open, public, and accessible.
091	Vice-chair Hamby	Responds that she supports and is committed to the additional time needed to complete SB 21.
109	Kabele	Requests clarification of who else would be at the table?
113	Chair Fisher	Responds that several groups had contacted his office, the dentists, the Governor's Commission on Senior and Disabled Services, etc.
121	Kabele	Notes that the workgroup would be disappointed to lose the consensus currently achieved.
129	Sen. Shannon	Questions if public testimony will be received on SB 21?
131	Vice-chair Hamby	Responds that this draft of SB 21-4 is not the completed bill.
135	Chair Fisher	Comments on the intense work accomplished by the workgroup, and if this is close to consensus, perhaps changes could be made through committee staff and/or the workgroup.
144	Sen. Shannon	Questions if the committee will consider amendments?

148	Chair Fisher	Responds that the ultimate decision would be the committee's.
176	Bianco	Comments that public testimony is necessary, states personal concerns about redoing what already has been done.
188	Chair Fisher	Announces that there will be a hearing for public input. Thanks the workgroup and the representatives for their time, energy, and work on SB 21. Closes informational meeting, recess.
<u>SB 482 WORK SESSION</u>		
250	Chair Fisher	Reconvenes, opens work session SB 482.
258	Sen. Hamby	MOTION: Moves SB 482 to the floor WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION as to passage and BE REFERRED to the committee on Business, Law, and Government.
263	Sen. Castillo	MOTION: Moves to AMEND the motion to include a letter encouraging the committee on Business, Law, and Government to fully involve the disabled community in any discussions and possible work sessions on SB 482.
283	Sen. Hannon	Notes the committee's support in involving the disabled community.
288	Chair Fisher	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
295	Sen. Wilde	Comments that SB 482 should stay in Health and Human Services committee. Requests a roll call vote.
308	Sen. Shannon	Questions why Sen. Wilde would like to keep SB 482 in this committee?
310	Sen. Wilde	Responds that he would like to see it receive no further attention.
312	Sen. Hannon	Comments that SB 482 would be better served in Business, Law and Government committee.
326	Vice-chair Hamby	Comments that she is unclear why SB 482 was referred to Senate Health and Human Services committee.
344		VOTE: 5-1 AYE: 5 - Castillo, Hamby, Hannon, Shannon, Fisher NAY: 1 - Wilde
	Chair Fisher	The motion CARRIES.
350	Chair Fisher	Closes work session on SB 482, adjourns the meeting at 4:32pm.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

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

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - Oregon Advocacy Center, Diana Bianco, 2pp

B - Oregon Nurses Association, Pat Kabele, 3pp

C - Oregon Medical Association, Scott Gallant, 5pp
