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SENATE COMMITTEE ON LIVABILITY

May 30, 1997 Hearing Room D

2:00 P.M. Tape 71

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Ted Ferrioli, Chair

Sen. Bob Kintigh, Vice-Chair

Sen. Eileen Qutub

MEMBER EXCUSED:

Sen. Kate Brown

Sen. Ginny Burdick

STAFF PRESENT:

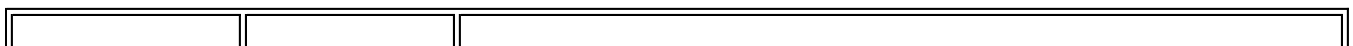
Christin Smith, Administrator

Nora Carlson, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 3401 Public Hearing and Work Session

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Tape/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 71, A		
003	Chair Ferrioli	Calls meeting to order at 2: 15 p.m. Opens public hearing on HB 3401.
<u>HB 3401</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		
005	Rep. Carolyn Oakley	District 36, provides testimony and support of HB 3401, issues discussed: * burning of mint stubble * exemption of propane flaming
020	Tom Malpass	Harrisburg mint farmer, provides testimony in support of HB 3401, issues discussed: * vercelliom wilt (peppermint disease) * mint flaming process and rules
048	Dave Nelson	Representing Oregon Seed Council, testifies in support of HB 3401 and provides testimony on air quality exemptions and field burning statutes.
062	Sen. Qutub	Asks for description of the propane flaming process.
065	Nelson	Describes a propane flamer as a device that is 32' feet wide with a metal hood with 12 propane jets under the hood, which are ignited and pulled by a tractor with an associated propane tank over the fields.
077	Carolyn Young	Assistant to the Director, Department of Environmental Quality, provides testimony on HB 3401, issues discussed: * potential impact of smoke * agricultural burning statute interpretation
108	Sen. Kintigh	Asks if DEQ has alternatives to suggest.
112	Young	Responds that DEQ does not.
115	Sen. Kintigh	Comments on the need to burn mint fields immediately after harvest.
118	Young	Responds that DEQ understands the concerns of the growers but expresses concern regarding air quality regulations and suggests that the issue be reviewed further during the interim session.
116	Sen. Qutub	Asks for clarification on whether DEQ has concerns about the bill and will provide further review upon passage, or whether it is DEQ's position that the bill should not get passed out of committee.
		Responds that DEQ had considered drafting amendment language

118	Young	but discovered broader issues relating to the agricultural burning statutes.
130	Lana Butterfield	Representing Northwest Propane Gas Association, provides support of HB 3401.
135	Rep. Liz VanLeeuwen	District 37, indicates her support for HB 3401 as one of the bill sponsors.
137	Chair Kintigh	Closes public hearing on HB 3401; opens work session on HB 3401.
<u>HB 3401</u> <u>WORK</u> <u>SESSION</u>		
145	Sen. Qutub	MOTION: Moves HB 3401 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
147	Chair Kintigh	AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 2 - Brown, Ferrioli
149	Chair Kintigh	The motion CARRIES. SEN. KINTIGH will lead discussion on the floor.
148	Chair Kintigh	Adjourns meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

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