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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON LIVABILITY**

**March 27, 1997 Hearing Room C**

**3:00 PM Tapes 31 - 32**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Sen. Ted Ferrioli, Chair**

**Sen. Bob Kintigh, Vice-Chair**

**Sen. Kate Brown**

**Sen. Eileen Qutub**

**MEMBER EXCUSED:**

**Sen. Ginny Burdick**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

**Christin Smith, Administrator**

**Paul Zolezzi, Administrative Support**

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:**

**SB 937 Public Hearing and Work Session**

**SB 852 Public Hearing and Work Session**

**SB 874 Public Hearing**

## SB 959 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
<b>TAPE 31, A</b>		
003	Chair Ferrioli	Convenes meeting at 3:05 PM and opens public hearing on SB 937.
<b><u>SB 937 PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
006	Sen. Randy Leonard	Introduces himself as representing Senate District 9 and explains bill. Discusses need for bill and states support for bill.
038	Robert Carnahan	Introduces himself as the Assistant Fire Chief of Clackamas County Fire District and submits ( <b>EXHIBIT A</b> ). Explains bill and states support for bill.
085	Sen. Kintigh	Explains Oregon Department of Forestry's interest in issue.
093	Hasina Cassim	Introduces herself as representing Oregon State Fire Marshals' Association and states support for bill. Discusses need for bill.
109	Sarah Hackett	Introduces herself as representing League of Oregon Cities and states support for bill.
135	Chair Ferrioli	Closes public hearing on SB 937 and opens work session.
<b><u>SB 937 WORK SESSION</u></b>		
138	Sen. Kintigh	<b>MOTION: Moves SB 937 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.</b>
139		<b>VOTE: 4-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 - Burdick</b>
	Chair Ferrioli	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>

		<b>SEN. LEONARD will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
146	Chair Ferrioli	Closes work session on SB 937 and opens public hearing on SB 852.
<b><u>SB 852 PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
152	Sen. Veral Tarno	Introduces himself as representing Senate District 24 and states support for bill.
174	Gil Riddell	Introduces himself as representing Association of Oregon Counties and submits ( <b>EXHIBIT B</b> ). Explains bill and states support for bill. Discusses recent search and rescue activities in Oregon.
213	Sen. Kintigh	Asks if similar attempts have been made to address bill intent.
215	Riddell	States that he is unaware of any attempts.
231	Chair Ferrioli	States for the record that the summary of the bill has language flaws. States that "federal lands" should be substituted for "public lands" in bill summary.
265	Chair Ferrioli	Closes public hearing on SB 852 and opens work session.
<b><u>SB 852 WORK SESSION</u></b>		
270	Sen. Qutub	<b>MOTION: Moves SB 852 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.</b>
272		<b>VOTE: 4-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 - Burdick</b>
	<b>Chair Ferrioli</b>	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b> <b>SEN. TARNO will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
278	Chair Ferrioli	Closes work session on SB 852 and opens public hearing on SB 874.
<b><u>SB 874 PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
285	Sen. Randy Leonard	Introduces himself as representing Senate District 9 and explains bill. Discusses need for bill and states support for bill. Submits proposed amendments ( <b>EXHIBIT C</b> ).
383	Sen.	Asks if hard-wired detectors with battery backups are currently available

	Kintigh	on market.
385	George Crosiar	Introduces himself as representing Office of State Fire Marshal and submits <b>(EXHIBIT D)</b> . Explains bill and states that hard-wired detectors are currently available on market.
395	Chair Ferrioli	Asks how many smoke detectors will have to be replaced if bill passes.
398	Sen. Leonard	States that renter occupied dwellings would have to be retrofitted by a 2 year phase in program, but that owner occupied dwellings would be retrofitted when the property is sold. Explains and discusses different smoke detectors currently available on market.
<b>TAPE 32, A</b>		
038	Sen. Brown	Asks what associated costs of bill will be.
039	Sen. Leonard	Discusses costs of retrofitting homes with hard-wired detectors.
070	Sen. Ferrioli	Discusses fiscal aspects of bill.
104	Sen. Kintigh	Asks how long battery detectors function.
106	Crosiar	Discusses life of detector batteries.
133	Sen. Qutub	Asks if State Fire Marshals' Office needs to educate public about smoke detectors.
136	Sen. Leonard	Discusses recent smoke detector campaigns.
138	Crosiar	States support for bill and explains proposed amendments.
168	Sen. Leonard	Explains proposed amendments.
210	Sen. Kintigh	Asks how long hard-wired detectors have been required in new construction.
212	Crosiar	Discusses history of hard-wired detector usage.
214	Sen. Kintigh	States that significant number of homes should already be hard wired.
246	Shawn Miller	Introduces himself as representing Oregon Rental Housing Association and submits <b>(EXHIBIT E)</b> . States opposition to bill.
300	Sharon Fleming-Barrett	Introduces herself as representing Oregon Rental Housing Association and states opposition to bill. Discusses costs of bill and impacts on consumers.
357	Sen. Brown	Asks who is liable for fire when tenants remove batteries from smoke detectors.
359	Fleming-Barrett	States that penalties for non-compliance and education are keys to saving lives. Discusses liability issues.
<b>TAPE 31, B</b>		

008	Darin Wilson	Introduces himself as representing Department of Consumer and Business Services Building Codes Division and submits <b>(EXHIBIT F)</b> . States position on bill and explains bill.
036	Sen. Qutub	Asks what current hourly rates of electricians are.
038	Wilson	States that he does not know current rates.
054	Emily Cedarleaf	Introduces herself as representing Multifamily Housing Council of Oregon and submits <b>(EXHIBIT G)</b> . States opposition to bill and discusses associated costs. Discusses current building codes and causes of home fires. Discusses past educational campaigns conducted by organization. Discusses page two of bill.
203	Chair Ferrioli	Asks what tenant turnover rate is for rentals.
205	Cedarleaf	States that the average tenancy of renters is approximately 1.5 years.
215	Chair Ferrioli	Asks at what point remodeling projects need to be brought to current code.
218	Cedarleaf	References letter from Oregon Attorney General addressing issue. Discusses rental remodeling projects.
247	Wilson	Explains current codes regarding construction remodeling projects. Describes national code and submits <b>(EXHIBIT H)</b> .
346	Chair Ferrioli	Asks if upgrades could be done when units are sold instead of having to meet a deadline.
348	Cedarleaf	States organization's position on proposal.
394	Sen. Leonard	States support for bill.
<b>TAPE 32, B</b>		
010	Chair Ferrioli	Continues discussing positive aspects of bill.
038	Sen. Leonard	Discusses Massachusetts state law similar to bill.
068	Fleming-Barrett	States concern over fiscal aspects of bill and associated impacts on dwelling buyers and sellers.
121	Chair Ferrioli	Closes public hearing on SB 874 and opens public hearing on SB 959.
<b><u>SB 959</u></b> <b><u>PUBLIC</u></b> <b><u>HEARING</u></b>		
123	Sen. Qutub	Introduces herself as representing Senate District 4 and submits <b>(EXHIBIT H)</b> . Explains bill and states support for bill.
184	Bob Behnke	Introduces himself as representing Aegis Transportation Information Systems Inc. and submits <b>(EXHIBIT I)</b> . Explains bill and states support for bill. Discusses public transportation systems in Germany and France and possibilities for similar systems in Oregon.

430	Sen. Qutub	States that bill would need a subsequent referral to the Committee on Ways & Means if passed out of the Senate Livability Committee.
440	Christin Smith	Committee Administrator submits <b>(EXHIBIT J)</b> for the record.
449	Chair Ferrioli	Closes public hearing on SB 959 and adjourns meeting at 4:58 PM.

**Submitted By, Reviewed By,**

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**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

**A - SB 937 written testimony, Robert Carnahan, 2 pp.**

**B - SB 852 written testimony, Gil Riddell, 2 pp.**

**C - SB 874 written testimony, Sen. Randy Leonard, 3 pp.**

**D - SB 874 written testimony, George Crosiar, 1 p.**

**E - SB 874 written testimony, Shawn Miller, 2 pp.**

**F - SB 874 written testimony, Darin Wilson, 1 p.**

**G - SB 874 written testimony, Emily Cedarleaf, 7 pp.**

**H - SB 959 written testimony, Sen. Eileen Qutub, 1 p.**

**I - SB 959 written testimony, Bob Behnke, 9 pp.**

**J - SB 959 written testimony, staff, 2 pp.**