

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

February 14, 1997 Hearing Room C

1:15 P.M. Tapes 14 - 15

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Sen. Marylin Shannon, Chair

Sen. Joan Dukes

Sen. Gary George

Sen. Mae Yih

**MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Ken Baker, Vice-Chair**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Lin Ludwick, Administrator

Nora Carlson, Administrative Support

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:**

**Introduction of Committee Bills**

**SJR 6 Public Hearing**

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<b>Tape/#</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>TAPE 14, A</b>		
001	Chair Shannon	Calls meeting to order at 1: 15 p.m. Opens work session to introduce committee bill.
<b><u>INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE BILLS</u></b>		
002	Sen. Dukes	<b>MOTION: Moves LC 2929 dated 02/10/97, BE INTRODUCED as committee bill.</b>
003	Chair Shannon	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. (LC 2929 ADOPTED as SB 579).</b>
004	Chair	Closes work session on committee bills and opens work session on

	Shannon	SB 56.
<b><u>SB 56 WORK SESSION</u></b>		
027	Lin Ludwick	Administrator, reviews amendment provisions of the bill ( <b>EXHIBIT A</b> ).
030	Chair Shannon	Asks Ms. Botkin if she is satisfied with the amendments.
050	Mary Botkin	Representative of the American Federation of State Count and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), agrees with amendments to the bill.
060	Sen. Dukes	Asks whether 911 dispatchers release their names to callers.
069	Botkin	Explains that a caller can call and asks for the identity of the dispatcher.
070	Sen. Dukes	Asks if there has ever been any instance of stalking.
075	Botkin	Explains that there have been some stalking incidents.
095	Sen. Dukes	Voices support for SB 56 amendments and states that records division should be closed down. Also states that she does not agree with exemptions which includes firefighters who are Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) but not regular (non-firefighters) EMTs.
124	Botkin	Explains that the City of Portland had always allowed 911 to use their work address for purposes of public records and which was discovered not allowed under the law.
164	Sen. Yih	Observes risk for 911 telephone workers who may be able to identify offenders by voice and questions why firefighters should be exempt.
219	Chair Shannon	Invites Sen. Randy Leonard to provide testimony on why firefighters should be exempt.
224	Sen. Randy Leonard	District 9, describes firefighter's responsibility areas, which may expose firefighters to being contacted by persons who may bode ill-will.
275	Chair Shannon	Question whether Sen. Leonard supported lines 9 through 12 of the amendment.
280	Sen. Dukes	Question whether Section (L) of amendment included anyone involved in fire suppression.
297	Sen. Dukes	Question why non-firefighters EMTs were not exempt and if they were exposed to similar risk of being contacted by the public.
325	Sen. Dukes	Question whether the Fire Protection Agency included all of the volunteer fire departments.
		Question whether information kept by the records division

331	Sen. George	could hinder someone who feels that they have been harmed by someone in going through due process.
363	Sen. Yih	Asks Sen. Leonard why firefighters should be exempt.
399	Sen. Leonard	Cites an example wherein firefighters found drug money and weapons at the home of a motorcycle gang member whose house had caught fire.
400	Chair Shannon	Excuses herself from the meeting. Asks Sen. Dukes to chair the meeting.
<b>TAPE 15, A</b>		
010	Sen. Yih	<b>MOTION: Moves SB 56 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>
012	Chair Dukes	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. SEN. YIH will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
036	Chair Dukes	Closes work session on SB 56 and opens public hearing on SJR 6.
<b><u>SJR 6 PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
038	Sen. Lenn Hannon	District 26, provides testimony in support of SJR 6.
074	Sen. Yih	Question on aircraft accidents due to poor standards of maintenance.
082	Sen. Yih	Questions the need for the resolution if there haven't been any accidents.
094	Mark Gibson	Timberland Logging, submits and presents testimony in support of SJR 6 ( <b>EXHIBIT B</b> ).
121	Gibson	Continues with testimony on safety standards and public-use aircraft.
130	Sen. Yih	Question whether the states of Massachusetts and Rhode Island have updated their maintenance and safety requirements following safety mishaps.
150	Sen. Yih	Question whether Oregon would be the first state to enact this proposal.
158	Sen. Yih	Asks for clarification that Oregon public agencies currently do not own any rotorcraft.
160	Gibson	Clarifies that state police have acquired six military surplus aircraft which have been determined to be inappropriate and inefficient to operate.
175	Sen. George	Question on fix-winged aircraft not being included in the bill.
210	Sen. George	Comments that to have the statement "maintained at equal or better" included would send a message that the state would be a good leader in proper maintenance.

217	Sen. Dukes	Question whether the State of Oregon owns any antique-type aircraft that are not used or operated.
231	Chair Shannon	Confirms amendment language "all aircraft including rotorcraft owned or operated by" and directs administrator to follow up with counsel for drafting.
233	Gibson	Continues with testimony on safety guidelines.
294	Gibson	Continues with testimony on safety mishaps in Florida and California.
340	Gibson	Continues with testimony on safety mishaps.
400	Gibson	Continues with testimony on 1993 Legislation (SB 1092) which would have required all public-use aircraft to be regulated.
<b>TAPE 14, B</b>		
018	Gibson	Continues with testimony on federal aviation regulations and terms of agreement for hiring aircraft pilots.
030	Sen. George	Voices concern about the State of Oregon's potential for operating aircraft that are not properly inspected.
037	Sen. Yih	Refers to line 7 of bill and asks if the word " <i>should</i> be subject to safety standards" be changed to " <i>shall</i> be subject to safety standards"
070	Gibson	Continues with testimony on time requirements on aircraft parts.
072	Sen. George	Voices concern that bill does not specify whether it would be subject to Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) regulation.
075	Sen. Hannon	Shares concern about the state adopting a bill that the federal government would regulate and which would pre-empt state's jurisdiction.
080	Chair Shannon	Directs administrator to confirm pre-empting measure language.
125	Keith Bird	Heli-Jet Corporation, presents testimony in support of SJR 6.
140	Jerry Brown	Safety Consultant, Heli-Jet Corporation, provides testimony in support of SJR 6.
200	Wes Clark	Hillsboro Aviation, provides testimony in support of SJR 6 ( <b>EXHIBIT C</b> ).
268	Sen. Dukes	Refers to page 8 of handout and asks to define language "...will continue to provide assistance."
272	Clark	Defines it as any public officer who wishes to certify their aircraft for civil air worthiness can apply to the FAA for assistance.
300	Clark	Continues with testimony on required maintenance records.
340	Sen. George	Observes that state would have a significantly enhanced asset if fixed -wing aircraft were maintained in accordance to

		standards.
349	Chair Shannon	Question whether the safety mishaps occurred in Oregon.
359	Sen. George	Question whether a pilot who is working for a public agency is exempt from requirements of good pilot responsibility.
395	Gibson	Explains that there are no legal air-worthiness criteria for the aircraft and no pilot training standard requirements.
<b>TAPE 15, B</b>		
020	Don Underwood	Services Director, Oregon Department of Forestry, provides testimony in opposition to SJR 6 ( <b>EXHIBIT D</b> ).
094	George Warren	Columbia Helicopters, provides testimony in support of SJR 6 ( <b>EXHIBIT E</b> ).
128	Sen. George	Asks if surplus military aircraft can be brought up to FAA standards.
140	Warren	Explains that they can be certified through a restricted category which would require them to meet the new safety standards.
143	Sen. George	Asks for clarification that bill would not exclude surplus aircraft from being brought up to certifiable conditions.
149	Warren	Agrees and explains that this is the main point for the resolution.
160	Chair Shannon	Adjourns meeting at 2:57 p.m.

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**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

**A - SB 56, proposed amendments, committee staff, 1p**

**B - SJR 6, testimony, Mark Gibson, 4pp**

**C - SJR 6, testimony, Wes Clark, 9pp**