

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

April 18, 1997 Hearing Room C

1:00 PM Tapes 63 - 64

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Marilyn Shannon, Chair Shannon

Sen. Ken Baker, Vice-Chair Shannon

Sen. Joan Dukes

Sen. Gary George

Sen. Mae Yih

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT:

Lin Ludwick, Administrator

Paul Zolezzi, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

SB 1023 Public Hearing

SB 458 Public Hearing and Work Session

SB 666 Work Session

SB 459 Public Hearing and Work Session

SB 479 Public Hearing and 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 63, A		
003	Chair Shannon	Convenes meeting at 1:10 PM and opens public hearing on SB 1023.
<u>SB 1023</u> <u>PUBLIC</u>		

HEARING		
010	Rep. Roger Beyer	Introduces himself as representing House District 28. Explains bill and states support for bill.
040	Kristina McNitt	Introduces herself as representing the Oregon Farm Bureau and submits proposed amendments (EXHIBIT A). Explains bill and states support for bill.
055	Terry Thompson	Introduces herself as a public citizen and submits (EXHIBIT B). Explains need for bill and states support for bill.
098	Sen. Dukes	Asks if Christmas tree producers are the only commodity based industry having hauling problems.
100	Thompson	States that the majority of commodity haulers have similar problems hauling goods. Discusses affected industries.
130	Sen. Dukes	Discusses public concerns about longer length trailers on highways.
143	Rep. Beyer	States concern about only applying bill to agricultural haulers. States support for leaving bill broad enough to include all haulers.
160	Sen. Dukes	States support for narrowing bill to address only agricultural commodity haulers.
185	Rep. Beyer	Explains proposed amendments. Discusses length limits in neighboring states.
230	Sen. George	Asks if 53 foot trailer length limit is suitable to trucking industry.
242	McNitt	Discusses reason for 53 foot trailer length limit. References Washington state laws relating to truck length exemptions. Discusses federal regulations relating to bill.
283	Lieutenant Glen Rader	Introduces himself as representing the Oregon State Police (OSP) and submits (EXHIBIT C). States opposition to bill.
322	Ric Listella	Introduces himself as representing the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and submits (EXHIBIT D). Explains process used in establishing regulations surrounding truck/trailer length limits. Discusses concerns about bill.
325	Sen. Dukes	Asks if special permits are issued for continuous trips.
330	Listella	Explains trip permit issuing procedures.
TAPE 64, A		
020	Sen. Dukes	Asks how much permits cost.
023	Listella	Discusses fiscal aspects and associated costs of trip permits.
037	Thompson	Explains permit issuance procedures. Discusses anecdotal evidence involving highway 214 in support of bill.
075	Sen. Dukes	Asks if bill will address Thompson's problems.
105	Rep. Beyer	Explains proposed amendments.
136	Barbara Hupp	Introduces herself as an independent Christmas tree grower and states support for bill. Explains need for bill.
159	Scott	Introduces himself as representing the Oregon Association of

	Ashcom	Nurserymen. States support for bill and proposed amendments.
164	Bob McKellar	Introduces himself as representing the Oregon Forest Products Transportation Association. Comments that he has not seen proposed amendments.
193	Chair Shannon	Closes public hearing on SB 1023 and opens public hearing on SB 458.
<u>SB 458 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
209	Captain Jim Stevenson	Introduces himself as representing the Oregon State Police (OSP) and submits (EXHIBIT E) . States opposition to bill and names other organizations opposing bill. States that if bill passes, OSP will need additional troopers for speed compliance.
341	Sen. Yih	Comments on the number (256) of additional troopers needed to deal with current speed limit.
366	Sen. Yih	Asks how many more troopers will be needed if bill passes.
375	Stevenson	States that 126 additional troopers will be needed if bill passes.
<u>TAPE 63, B</u>		
008	Sen. Baker	States that if the current speed limit is not being enforced, why should anyone believe that additional troopers will be able to enforce an increase to 75 mph.
033	Stevenson	Discusses statistics relating to motor vehicle accidents and associated fatalities on rural interstates.
053	Sen. Randy Miller	Introduces himself as representing Senate District 13 and explains bill. Discusses -1 amendments and explains subsection (g) on page 2 of amendments. Comments that passage of bill will not necessarily mean that more troopers will be needed.
123	Dr. John Tongue	Introduces himself as a private doctor and submits (EXHIBIT F) . States opposition to bill and gives reasons for doing so. Discusses measure 47 impacts on OSP troopers. Discusses statistics relating to traffic fatalities and relating speed limits.
260	Bob McKellar	Introduces himself as representing the Oregon Forest Products Transportation Association and states support for bill.
283	Sen. George	Comments on safety of vehicles, particularly trucks being safer than in the past.
308	Chair Shannon	Closes public hearing on SB 458 and opens work session.
<u>SB 458 WORK SESSION</u>		
310	Sen. Baker	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 458-1 amendments dated 03/21/97.
315	Sen. Baker	States support for bill and -1 amendments.

328	Sen. Dukes	Comments on concern about school buses being able to drive 65 mph. Discusses highways' ability to handle traffic traveling at 75 mph.
338	Chair Shannon	States support for bill and -1 amendments.
TAPE 64, B		
006	Sen. Randy Miller	Explains bill and comments that bill does not create mandatory speed limits. Instead, bill only allows ODOT commission to establish differing speed limits in rural areas.
035	Sen. George	References page 3, line 38 of bill.
040	Sen. Yih	States concern over giving ODOT authority to raise speed limit.
055	Sen. Miller	Further explains bill.
092		VOTE: 4-1 AYE: 4 - Baker, Dukes, George, Shannon NAY: 1 - Yih
	Chair Shannon	The motion CARRIES.
102	Sen. Baker	MOTION: Moves SB 458 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
104		VOTE: 4-1 AYE: 4 - Baker, Dukes, George, Shannon NAY: 1 - Yih
	Chair Shannon	The motion CARRIES. SEN. MILLER will lead discussion on the floor.
106	Chair Shannon	Closes work session on SB 458 and opens work session on SB 666.
<u>SB 666</u> <u>WORK</u> <u>SESSION</u>		
125	Sen. Dukes	MOTION: Moves SB 666 to the floor WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION as to passage and BE REFERRED to the committee on Business, Law and Government.
127		VOTE: 5-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
	Chair Shannon	The motion CARRIES.
133	Chair Shannon	Closes work session on SB 666 and opens public hearing on SB 459.

<u>SB 459</u> <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>HEARING</u>		
135	Sen. Baker	Explains bill. Discusses -2 amendments and states support for amendments.
160	Lin Ludwick	Committee Administrator submits (EXHIBIT G) for the record.
163	Carl Hosticka	Introduces himself as representing METRO and explains bill concept.
175	Sen. Yih	Asks where tollway will be located.
178	Hosticka	States that tollway will be located somewhere inside Portland's urban growth boundary, but that exact location is unknown.
180	Sen. Yih	Asks why tollway is needed.
185	Andy Catugno	Introduces himself as representing METRO and explains need for tollway.
195	Sen. Yih	Asks what level of revenue tollway will generate.
200	Sen. Baker	Discusses the level of revenue generated from tollway.
224	Chair Shannon	Closes public hearing on SB 459 and open work session.
<u>SB 459</u> <u>WORK</u> <u>SESSION</u>		
228	Sen. Baker	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 459-1 amendments dated 04/17/97.
	Chair Shannon	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
237	Sen. Baker	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 459-2 amendments dated 04/17/97.
	Chair Shannon	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
242	Sen. Baker	MOTION: Moves SB 459 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
250		VOTE: 4-1 AYE: 4 - Baker, Dukes, George, Shannon NAY: 1 - Yih
	Chair Shannon	The motion CARRIES. SEN. BAKER will lead discussion on the floor.
288	Sen. Yih	Gives vote explanation. States support for concept but states concern about not referring bill to the Ways and Means Committee.

293	Chair Shannon	Closes work session on SB 459 and opens public hearing on SB 479.
<u>SB 479 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
295	Lin Ludwick	Committee Administrator submits (EXHIBIT H) for the record.
298	Sen. Dukes	Explains bill and discusses need for bill. States support for bill.
309	Chair Shannon	Closes public hearing on SB 479 and opens work session.
<u>SB 479 WORK SESSION</u>		
310	Sen. Baker	MOTION: Moves SB 479 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
312		VOTE: 5-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
	Chair Shannon	The motion CARRIES. SEN. DUKES will lead discussion on the floor.
317	Chair Shannon	Closes work session on SB 479 and adjourns meeting at 2:57 PM.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Paul Zolezzi, Lin Ludwick,

Administrative Support Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - SB 1023 written testimony and proposed amendments, Kristina McNitt, 2 pp.

B - SB 1023 written testimony, Terry Thompson, 5 pp.

C - SB 1023 written testimony, Lieutenant Glen Rader, 3 pp.

D - SB 1023 written testimony, Ric Listella, 1 p.

E - SB 458 written testimony, Captain James Stevenson, 10 pp.

F - SB 458 written testimony, Dr. John Tongue, 2 pp.

G - SB 459 written testimony, staff, 1 p.

H - SB 479 written testimony, staff, 2 pp.
