

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON  
COMMERCE

January 19, 1995                      Hearing Room D  
1:30 PM Tapes 2 - 3

MEMBERS PRESENT:

ELDON JOHNSON, Chair  
CYNTHIA WOOTEN, Vice-Chair  
REP. CHUCK CARPENTER  
REP. MICHAEL FAHEY  
REP. TONY FEDERICI  
REP. LYNN LUNDQUIST  
REP. LYNN SNOI GRASS  
REP. LARRY WELLS

MEMBER EXCUSED: REP. GAIL SHIBLEY

STAFF PRESENT:

DANIEL JARMAN, Committee Administrator  
JODIE HALL, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD:

TOPICS: Informational Meeting  
Staff Briefing: State of the Economy  
Joe Cortright, Executive Officer, Senate Trade and  
Economic Development Committee

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statements made during this session. Only text enclosed in quotation marks  
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please refer to the tapes.

TAPE 2, A

000            CHAIR JOHNSON Calls meeting to order at 1:35.  
030            JOE CORTRIGHT Introduction of presentation.  
050            CORTRIGHT Begins presentation of EXHIBIT A (Overview).  
079            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Measuring Oregon's  
Economy).  
094            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Picturing the Oregon  
Economy, by  
Geographic Location, by Business Size, by Industry  
Sector).  
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150            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Net Change in Employment  
Seems  
                  Small, even over five years).  
174            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Oregon's Economy creates  
and  
                  destroys hundreds of thousands of jobs each year).  
185            Committee Discussion.  
297            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Most Oregon businesses  
are small, but  
                  larger firms provide most jobs).  
320            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Small firms create most  
new jobs).  
328            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Large Manufacturers Lost  
Jobs While  
                  smaller firms grew rapidly).  
343            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Oregon-owned firms create  
nearly all  
                  Oregon jobs).  
362            CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Larger States have fewer  
Small  
                  Businesses Oregon has a typical mix of firms for its size).

397 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Oregon has had little  
trouble creating jobs).  
417 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Oregon's unemployment rate  
is below the national average).  
447 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (In-Migration is still  
strong).  
470 Committee Discussion.

TAPE 3, SIDEA

000 Committee Discussion continues.  
029 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Per capita income is  
\$1200 below the US average).  
056 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Relative Per capita  
income has rebounded only modestly).  
062 Committee Discussion.  
068 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Adjusting for Cost of  
Living Differences Oregon's Income Even Further Below National Average).  
085 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Oregon Wages down \$100  
since 1980).  
103 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A ('80s marked historical  
decline).  
129 Committee Discussion.  
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138 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Oregon wages declined  
during 1980's but have held steady since 1988).  
159 Committee Discussion: Decline of private wages versus the decline of  
public wages.  
207 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Oregon's productivity has  
declined relative to US).  
225 Committee Discussion: What is productivity? Where do these numbers come  
from?  
266 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (The bottom has fallen our  
of the earnings curve).  
291 Committee Discussion.  
317 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Low wages compound  
Oregon's fiscal problems: Shows average spending per person out of the General Fund).  
394 Committee Discussion.

TAPE 2, SIDEB

000 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (US GDP per worker now  
below other G-7 Nations).  
039 Committee Discussion.  
047 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (US Domination of Global  
Markets Has Declined Sharply).  
069 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Then Vs Now).  
157 CORTRIGHT Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (US Real Wages Declining).

163       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Returning to the Past is  
Not an                   Option).

192       Committee Discussion: Role of government in the economy.

215       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (The Revolution in  
Production).

245       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (High Performance  
Framework).

270       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (High Performance  
Framework,  
continued).

308       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Does High Performance  
Work?).

360       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Introduction to Part  
Three).

TAPE 3, SIDEB

000       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Building a high-skill  
high-                   wage economy).

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023       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Education Pays).

034       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Quality Pays).

078       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Competition among firms in  
a                       centralized sector).

098       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Critical Mass Pays in  
Oregon's               Electronics Industry).

120       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (We can grow industries  
with rising           wages).

145       CORTRIGHT       Continues presentation of EXHIBIT A (Conclusions).

175       VICE CHAIR LUNDQUIST   Adjourns meeting at 3:09.

Submitted by,    Reviewed by,  
JODIE HALL       DANIEL E. JARMAN  
Committee Assistant   Committee Administrator

EXHIBIT LOG

A - The Challenge of a New Economy - Joseph Cortright, Executive Officer,  
Senate Trade and Economic Development Committee (INFO MTG.)-24 PAGES

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