

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON  
COMMERCE  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON  
TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

March 2, 1995 Hearing Room H170  
2:30 p.m. Tape 21-22

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Chuck Carpenter, Chair  
Rep. Gail Shibley, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Michael Fahey  
Rep. Cynthia Wooten

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT: Joseph Cortright, Executive Officer  
Jeri Chase, Office Manager  
Bobby Sullinger, Committee Assistant

WITNESSES: Jon Jaqua, Deputy Director, Oregon Economic Development  
Department  
Keith Leavitt, Ports & Transportation Development Manager,  
Development Department  
Gill Wright, Finance Manager, Port Division, Oregon Economic  
Department

MEASURES HEARD: HB 2141 - Grants permanent authority for annual transfer of  
funds from interest earnings of Oregon Port Revolving Fund to  
and Marketing fund to finance grant program for ports by repealing current  
"sunset date" of July 1, 1995 - PH & PWS

These minutes contain materials which paraphrase and/or summarize  
statements made during this session. Only text enclosed in quotation marks  
report a speaker's exact words. For complete contents of the proceedings,  
please refer to the tapes.

TAPE 21, SIDE A

004 CHAIR CARPENTER: Brings the committee to order at 2:48 p.m.

HB 2141 - Grants permanent authority for annual transfer of funds from  
interest earnings of Oregon Port Revolving Fund to Port Planning and  
Marketing fund to finance grant program for ports by repealing current  
"sunset date" of July 1, 1995 - Public Hearing

005 CHAIR CARPENTER: Opens PUBLIC HEARING on HB 2141.

011 CORTRIGHT: Overviews Staff Measure Summary for HB 2141 [EXHIBIT A].

032 JON JAQUA: Presents testimony in favor of HB 2141.

055 KEITH LEAVITT: Overviews Oregon Ports [EXHIBIT B].

103 LEAVITT: Continues to overview [EXHIBIT B].

136 LEAVITT: Overviews Oregon Economic Development Department - Ports  
Development [EXHIBIT C].

207 CHAIR CARPENTER: How much of your budget is used to keep the water ways  
clear?

209 JAQUA: Responds to committee discussion.

219 LEAVITT: Continues to overview [EXHIBIT B] (Dredging).

241 CHAIR CARPENTER: How much of the total port fund goes for transportation  
improvements?

248 LEAVITT: Responds to committee discussion.

261 CHAIR CARPENTER: Why doesn't Oregon Department of Transportation take  
care of these improvements and maintenance projects that relate to  
transportation?

263 LEAVITT: Responds to committee discussion.

270 JAQUA: Responds to committee discussion relating to funding public  
infrastructure.

300 CHAIR CARPENTER: How much money has been put into the Ports Revolving  
Loan Fund in the last two years?

303 JAQUA: Responds to committee discussion.

312 GILL WRIGHT: Responds to committee discussion relating to amounts  
contributed to the Ports Revolving Loan Fund.

339 CHAIR CARPENTER: What is the total amount in the fund?

340 WRIGHT: Responds to committee discussion.

349 CHAIR CARPENTER: If the legislature did not appropriate any money would the Ports Revolving Loan Fund continue?

351 WRIGHT: Responds to committee discussion.

372 CHAIR CARPENTER: What percentage of the loans granted by the Ports Revolving Loan Fund are for private business?

373 WRIGHT: Responds to committee discussion.

385 CHAIR CARPENTER: Could these businesses that were loaned money obtain financing elsewhere?

386 WRIGHT: Responds to committee discussion.

422 JAQUA: Responds to committee discussion relating to community ownership of land with private buildings.

TAPE 22, SIDE A

016 CHAIR CARPENTER: What is the difference between this program and enterprise zones.

019 JAQUA: Responds to committee discussion.

029 REP. SHIBLEY: How much funding has gone to the Port of Portland?

036 WRIGHT: Responds to committee discussion.

062 REP. SHIBLEY: Do you acquire Real Property?

065 WRIGHT: Responds to committee discussion.

105 REP. FAHEY: Who owns the dredging rights and what is done with the materials that have been dredged?

115 WRIGHT: Responds to committee discussion relating to dredging and the disposal of sand and debris.

170 CHAIR CARPENTER: One concern I have is that the money has gone for questionable loans.

201 CHAIR CARPENTER: Closed PUBLIC HEARING on HB 2141.

203 CHAIR CARPENTER: Adjourns committee meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Submitted by

Bobby Sullinger  
EXHIBIT LOG

EXHIBIT A - Staff Measure Summary for HB 2141, Presented by Joseph Cortright, 1 page.

EXHIBIT B - Oregon Ports, Presented by Keith Leavitt, 5 pages.

EXHIBIT C - Oregon Economic Development Department - Ports Development, Presented by Keith Leavitt, 11 pages.