

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE
SUBCOMMITTEE ON
TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

March 14, 1995 Hearing Room H170
2:00 p.m. Tape 28-29

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: John Meeks, Representative, District 5
Darren Bond, Director of finance, Oregon State Treasury
Jim Renner, Executive Director, Oregon Trail Coordinating
James Hamrick, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

MEASURES HEARD: HB 2139 - Deletes requirement that Tourism Council and
Tourism Program assist communities and local agencies in attracting
conventions or in publicizing certain local events - WS

HB 2958 - Changes name of Oregon Trail Coordinating Council to
Trail/Lewis and Clark Trail Coordinating Council - PH

HB 2966 - Requires State Parks and Recreation Department to work
property owners to mark historic trails - PH

HJR 42 - Directs Governor to commence discussions with
for purpose of establishing regional Lewis and Clark Trail Council - PH

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.

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001 CHAIR CARPENTER: Brings the committee to order at 2:25 p.m.

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for purpose of establishing regional Lewis and Clark Trail Council - Public
Hearing

003 CHAIR CARPENTER: Opens PUBLIC HEARING on HB 2958, HB 2966, and HJR 42.

006 CORTRIGHT: Overviews Staff Measure Summary for HB 2958, HB 2966, and HJR
42. [EXHIBIT A], [EXHIBIT B], and [EXHIBIT C].

021 REP. JOHN MEEK: Presents testimony against HJR 42.

031 REP. MEEK: Presents testimony relating to HB 2966.

050 DARREN BOND: Presents testimony against HB 2958.

062 REP. MEEK: Presents testimony relating to HB 2958.

069 BOND: Overviews written testimony relating to HB 2958 [EXHIBIT D].

083 REP. MEEK: Continues to present testimony relating to the Oregon Trails
Coordinating Council and preparations for the Lewis and Clark celebration.

116 REP. WOOTEN: Could the Oregon Trails Coordinating Council copyright the
"Beaver Coin" name and protect the name in order to raise funds for the
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial?

118 REP. MEEK: Responds to committee discussion relating to copyrights of the
Beaver Coin.

120 REP. WOOTEN: What do you hope to achieve by this legislation? What is
the states role in implementing a Lewis and Clark celebration?

131 REP. MEEK: Responds to committee discussion relating to intent of
legislation.

177 CHAIR CARPENTER: Would you like to get the Oregon Trail Coordinating
Council started on this project and work on the Beaver Coin issue later?

179 REP. MEEK: Yes, the council could be working on all the ramifications of

this celebration.

183 CHAIR CARPENTER: Do you know how much the council will cost the state?

210 JIM RENNER: Presents written testimony relating to HJR 42 [EXHIBIT E]

245 RENNER: Presents written testimony relating to HB 2958 [EXHIBIT F]

368 RENNER: Presents written testimony on HB 2966 [EXHIBIT G].

397 RENNER: Overviews amendments relating to HB 2958.

434 RENNER: Continues to present testimony on HB 2958 [EXHIBIT F].

457 CHAIR CARPENTER: Could you expand on the possibility of the Oregon Historical Society taking on some of the functions of the Oregon Trails Coordinating Council?

460 RENNER: Responds to committee discussion relating to Oregon Historical Society.

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018 RENNER: Continues to respond to committee discussion relating to opportunities available to Oregon trail visitors.

048 REP. WOOTEN: Where does the one-to-one match in funding come from?

051 RENNER: The match in funding comes from the constituent groups making-up coalitions for each one of these trails.

054 REP. WOOTEN: How much funding will these groups be able to provide?

055 RENNER: We receive \$2.50 per license plate.

056 REP. WOOTEN: What is the total accumulative funds available from these voluntary contributions.

058 RENNER: We have been averaging \$40,000 per month in contributions since the new plates were offered in November 1993.

069 REP. WOOTEN: Is that money used to create interpretive signs along the trails that you have identified?

072 RENNER: Yes.

073 REP. WOOTEN: Is any of that money used for administrative cost of the existing council?

077 RENNER: No.

077 REP. WOOTEN: Where is the \$49 million dollars for the interpretive centers coming from?

079 RENNER: The money will come from a number of sources such as; federal, state, and private foundations.

081 REP. WOOTEN: How much will be coming from the state?

082 RENNER: The state will have provided 2.5 million.

085 REP. WOOTEN: Who will be responsible for the maintenance of these 4 interpretive centers?

087 RENNER: The sponsoring organization will be responsible for the maintenance.

088 REP. FAHEY: There is a bill to make all of license plates "Oregon Trail" plates. Will your organization still receive \$2.50 per plate?

089 RENNER: Responds to committee discussion.

101 REP. SHIBLEY: Would your organization support the Oregon Department of Transportation in its efforts to provide infrastructure for the State as it relates to tourism.

116 RENNER: Responds to committee discussion.

120 REP. WOOTEN: The \$30,000 per month for the next 4 years will accumulated a great deal of money. What can that much money be spent on as it relates to trails?

130 RENNER: Responds to committee discussion relating to maintenance cost for interpretive centers.

151 REP. SHIBLEY: Comments on the possibility of selling stock piled signs to augment interpretive centers funding.

166 REP. WOOTEN: I would estimate that your organization will receive 2 million dollars for a 4 year period from the Oregon Trails license plates.

Will this money just be spent on the maintenance of these trails for a 4 year period?

169 RENNER: That money will be ear-marked for the development of interpretive centers.

180 JAMES HAMRICK: Presents written testimony relating to HB 2966 [EXHIBIT
H].

220 HAMRICK: Continues to present [EXHIBIT H].

258 CHAIR CARPENTER: Closed PUBLIC HEARING on HB 2958, HB 2966, and HJR 42.
HB 2139 - Deletes requirement that TourismCouncil and TourismProgram
assist communities and local agencies in attracting conventions or in
publicizing certain local events - Work Session

264 CHAIR CARPENTER: Opens WORK SESSION on HB 2139.

265 CORTRIGHT: Overviews Proposed Amendments to House Bill 2139 [EXHIBIT I]

279 MOTION: REP. SHIBLEY: MOVES to ADOPT HB 2139-1 amendments.

279 VOTE: In a roll call vote all member vote AYE. All members are present.

293 MOTION: REP. SHIBLEY: MOVES HB 2139 to the Full Commerce Committee with a
DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.

294 VOTE: In a roll call vote all member vote AYE. All members are present.

297 REP. SHIBLEY will lead the discussion on the Floor.

306 CHAIR CARPENTER: Closed WORK SESSION on HB 2139.

307 CHAIR CARPENTER: Adjourns committee meeting at 3:15 p.m.

Submitted by

Bobby Sullinger
EXHIBIT LOG

EXHIBIT A - Staff Measure Summary for HB 2958, Presented by Joseph
Cortright, 2 pages.

EXHIBIT B - Staff Measure Summary for HB 2966, Presented by Joseph
Cortright, 1 pages.

EXHIBIT C - Staff Measure Summary for HJR 42, Presented by Joseph Cortright,
1 pages.

EXHIBIT D - Written testimony relating to HB 2958, Presented by Darren Bond,
2 pages.

EXHIBIT E - Written testimony relating to HJR 42, Presented by Jim Renner, 1
page.

EXHIBIT F - Written testimony relating to HB 2958, Presented by Jim Renner,
1 page.

EXHIBIT G - Written testimony relating to HB 2966, Presented by Jim Renner,
1 page.

EXHIBIT H - Written testimony relating to HB 2966, Presented by James
Hamrick, 4 pages.

EXHIBIT I - Proposed Amendments to House Bill 2139, Presented by Joseph
Cortright, 1 page.