

Witnesses: Frank Richie, Oregon Department of Employment

28 AARON FELTON, COUNSEL: Gives a summary of Senate Bill 46.

40 FRANK RICHIE, MANGER OF PROGRAM ANALYSIS FOR THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF
EMPLOYMENT: Submits written testimony [EXHIBIT A] in favor of Senate Bill
46.

51 Describes the funds that are in question.

63 Two funds have not been added to this bill. These are employer taxes
that pass through on their way to the U.S. Treasury.

77 REP. BEYER: The federal piece of it, is that collected separately, or
does it come with the states?

83 REP. BEYER: That portion that is state tax, that will be able to be
invested?

84 RICHIE: That is correct.

89 REP. SNODGRASS: Does the interest go back into the same fund?

91 RICHIE: Yes

98 REP. FAHEY: The two funds you are talking about are the unemployment
benefit fund and the supplemental department. These are not affected?

103 RICHIE: The two that are not being funded are the unemployment
compensation trust fund and the unemployment benefit fund.

109 REP. FAHEY: What is in the bill now that prohibits you from investing
that money?

110 RICHIE: The current law says they have to be held separately for the
Treasures purposes.

112 REP. FAHEY: Will all this money be earmarked for unemployment?

115 RICHIE: Yes

118 REP. FAHEY: How much money are we talking about?

120 RICHIE: Three million dollars, about five hundred thousand dollars, and
three hundred thousand dollars.

123 REP. FAHEY: How about Child care fund?

124 RICHIE: About a hundred thousand dollars, it is a very new fund.

130 CHAIR WATT: Why were these funds not able to be invested in the first
place?

134 RICHIE: Because the federal government required us not to. And then we
found that it only existed on two of the funds.

143 CHAIR WATT: How did you find this problem?

144 RICHIE: We were looking at how are money was being invested.

150 CHAIR WATT: There are only six funds at the division? Are others being
invested?

158 RICHIE: There are some that are already invested.

165 CHAIR WATT: Where did the Contractors Certification Fund go?

166 RICHIE: It was moved six years ago to the Contractors Board.

180 CHAIR WATT: The fiscal analysis does not show the child care fund, so
as that grows there will be more money, correct?

184 RICHIE: That is correct.

185 REP. BEYER: Could you give us a source of revenue that goes into these
funds.

192 RICHIE: I will provide that.

202 REP. BROWN: Are we going to have a work session on this bill?

203 CHAIR: Not today.

223 Closes Public Hearing on Senate Bill 46

225 CHAIR WATT: Adjourns hearing.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY:

A - Testimony on Senate Bill 46, presented by Frank Richey