HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES Hearing Room Tapes - 22-23 MEMBERS PRESENT: REP. VERAL TARNO, Chair REP. TERRY THOMPSON, Vice-Chair REP. TONY CORCORAN REP. BILL FISHER REP. TIM JOSI REP. LESLIE LEWIS REP. DENNIS LUKE REP. LISA NAITO REP. CHUCK NORRIS REP. JUDY UHERBELAU REP. LARRY WELLS REP. JIM WELSH MEMBER EXCUSED: STAFF PRESENT: MARK BAUER, Committee Administrator SANDY CEBALLOS, Committee Assistant MEASURES HEARD: SCR 1 HCR4 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 22, SIDE A

04 CHAIR TARNO: Calls the meeting to order.

08 Opens WORK SESSION on HCR4.

09 CHAIR TARNO: Explains that during the last meeting on HCR4 while dealing with a motion by Rep. Norris the committee fell apart and they adjourned.

14 REP. NORRIS: Comments that his motion to convert HCR4 into a petition to the Secretary of the Interior to delist the owl was not a good idea, and

asks Tom Byler, his legislative aide, to explain these reasons to the committee.

25 TOM BYLER, Legislative Aide to Representative Norris: Explains that HCR

4 could be used as a petition, but that it lacks subsstantial scientific evidence required by the Secretary of the Interior to make a finding. Introduces his analysis, EXHIBIT A, and reads from it.

45 REP. NORRIS: Moves to withdraw his motion, and suggests the committee proceed with HCR4 as originally proposed.

47 CHAIR TARNO: Rep. Norris moves to withdraw his motion. Any objections?

48 REP. CORCORAN: Ask Rep. Norris if there is accumulated data that will, or should be, sent in and by whom, to then go after the delisting.

52 REP NORRIS: Didn't go into the matter in detail, looked at the procedural aspects and feels it would take extensive biological assement.

55 REP. CORCORAN: Wonders if it's being done by ODF&W, or by the private sector.

58 CHAIR TARNO: Rep. Corcoran, to my knowledge it is not, and that's an issue I think we'll have to deal with at a later time.

60 REP. NORRIS: States that one of the witnesses from the previous meeting seemed to have a good start on the kind of information needed.

63 REP. FISHER: States that when California attempted a petition to delist the spotted owl , the cost of providing the required information cost in excess of two million dollars.

74 CHAIR TARNO: With Rep. Norris withdrawing his motion, Rep. Fisher's motion is before us now, and that motion was to...

78 MOTION: REP. FISHER: Moves HCR4 be sent to the Floor with a DO PASS recommendation.

82 CHAIR TARNO: Any discussion?

83 REP. UHRBELAU: States that she is not prepared to vote in favor of the measure, she feels the committee does not have sufficient information, having heard from only one person on one side of the issue.

95 REP. JOSI: States that he also has concerns about the measure as written. Would like to propose an ammendment that addresses his concerns.

104 CHAIR TARNO: Is that in the form of a motion?

104 REP. JOSI: So moved.

105 CHAIR TARNO: Rep. Josi moves ammendments to HCR4.....

106 REP. LUKE: Mr. Chairman are you waiving the 48 hour rule

107 CHAIR TARNO: Does it take 48 hours for ammendments?

107 REP LUKE: Ammendments to any bill are supposed to be in the hands of the Chair 48 hours before. You can waive that, I'm just asking if you are waiving it?

109 CHAIR TARNO: No. If that's the case the motion before us is still Rep.

Fisher's.

111 REP. NAITO: I will also be opposing the motion to send this to the floor. Feels that the word is not out to the community regarding what the measure could do. She has had her staff compiling data about the spotted owl issue, and has been seeking balanced testimony. She thinks sufficient time was not given for an issue of this magnitude.

126 REP. JOSE: Will not vote for this specific bill. Would vote for the bill if it stated "The Director of the United States Fish & Wildlife Service is urged to remove the Norethern Spotted Owl from the list of threatened species under the Endangered Species Act, if recent biological data indicating a substantially larger species population than was previously believed to exist is substantiated by usisng sound, verifiable, science."

136 CHAIR TARNO: Any further discussion:

137 REP. THOMPSON: Doesn't feel that the testimony of one person is sufficient for a measure of this magnitude. Reluctantly will not support the measure.

146 REP. CORCORAN: Will vote in favor of the measure, but feels the pro-timber people are done a dis-service by the lack of public input into the process.

158 REP. LEWIS: Also agrees that all the science has not been completed, but says that there are more owls than they had been told there were, and that there are more varieties of habitat than they had been told. Feels it

is important to make this political statement. Will vote in favor of the bill.

179 CHAIR TARNO: Any further discussion.

180 REP. UHRBELAU: Doesn't know how the legislature can deliberate if they have not heard both sides of the issue.

184 REP. FISHER: States that abundant testimony was given for both sides of

the issue in intrim committee, and wholeheartedly supports the bill.

204 REP. JOSI: Wants to delay the vote to give the committee the opportunity to hear from qualified scientists from both federal and state agencies.

214 REP. WELCH: Feels it's important that we come together within this state and send this political message.

223 CHAIR TARNO: Says that if it is felt there is a need for additional documentation or testimony, the opportunity for them to testify will be afforded them on the senate side of this house.

231 CHAIR TARNO: Hearing four objections, calls for roll.

233 VOTE: In a roll call vote, REPS. CORCORAN, FISHER, LEWIS, LUKE, NORRIS,

WELLS, WELSH and TARNO vote AYE. REPS. JOSI, NAITO, THOMPSON and UHRBELAU vote NAY.

246 CHAIR TARNO: HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4 having received the constitutionally required amount of votes is hereby passed.

REP. LEWIS will lead discussion on the floor

254 Closes WORK SESSION on HCR4.

257 Opens PUBLIC HEARING on SCR I

260 MARK BAUER, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR, summarizes SCR 1.

275 GILL RIDDELL, Association of Oregon Counties,

310 REP. NAITO: Asks if the bill requests return of the land to the state, but the federal government will dictate how it

300 Rep. Naito:

- 305 Mr. Riddell:
- 313 Rep. Luke: Money earned off those lands
- 322 Rep. Naito:
- 326 Mr. Riddell:

333 Rep. Uhrbelau: Proceeds go to the County.

- 338 Mr. Riddell: Counties get 50%
- 342 Rep. Uhrebelau: Follow up question. Very little goes to education now.
- 351 Mr. Riddell: Some sharing.

Rep. Fisher: 50% come to the county.

368 Mr. Ridell: Issue is portion that goes to counties now should still go

377 Rep. Josie: You are one of the sponsors

- 385 Chair Tarnow:
- 390 Rep. Josie: Look at other ammendment.
- 402 Rep. Uhrbelau: Do you know when senate debated
- 407 Chair Tarnow:
- 416 Rep. Luke

420 Rep. Norris: How many people needed to manage this

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440 Rep. Welsh: Really need to look at line 12 & 13.

471 Rep. Uhrbelau; If we pass this

41 Rep. Josie: May be in the process of being resolved. What is current status on gridlock

56 Rep. Fisher: Needs some looking over.

62 Rep. Corcoran: Doesn't know if he agrees with Rep. Fisher. Should have revenue impact statement.

70 Rep. Luke: Would like to get into substantive bills.

76 Chair Tarnow.

84 Mark Bauer:

84 Rep. Welsh:

89 Chair Tarnow:

92 Rep. Welsh: How much time

094 Chair Tarnow: Liz will you be here the next couple of days.

Closes Public Hearing on SCR 1