

SENATE COMMITTEE ON
AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

February 8, 1995 Hearing Room
343 3:00 P.M. Tapes 26, 27, 28,

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Bob Kintigh, Chair
Sen. Bill Dwyer
Sen. Tom Hartung
Sen. Rod Johnson, Vice-Chair
Sen. Marylin Shannon

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Bill Bradbury

STAFF PRESENT:

Bruce McIntosh, Committee Administrator
Catrina Victor, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD: SB -160, Work Session
SCR-2, Public Hearing and Work
Session

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Tane 26A.

Opens PUBUC HEARING on SB -1C0

03 Chair Kintigh: Meeting called to order 3:05 P.M.
 First witness called to testify.
13 John Foster: Review the hand-out for new amendments (exhibit A).
29 Sen. Dwyer: How big are the trees in question? What is the diameter?
52 Mr. Foster: Oregon Small Woodland Association (O.S.W.A.). Listed in the
statutes under
addressed regarding to the definition of height. The issue of height definitions needs to be
 leave tree items.
100 Mr. Foster: Discusses HWY. 100, the old hwy. 30, as listed specifically
in the bill. We feel the Gorge Commission needs to address this specific hwy. not this
bill. Perhaps land exchanges can be done.

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115 Sen. Dwyer: Whose idea was it to include this area of the highway?
121 Mr. Foster: ODOT.

133 Mr. Denison: O.S.W.A. Requests for a five acre exemption.

136 Sen. Dwyer: What if your five acres is next to an area that is to be
clear cut? How many five acre lots are there that you know of?

168 Mr. Denison: It varies from rural to urban areas. Second area to
address is where the measurements are to begin, at the right of way or the
edge of the road. It's difficult for the landowner to distinguish the right
of way but not the pavement. Needs clarification

223 Mr. Foster: References the bill, page three, in relation to the age of
the harvesting of the trees. See exhibit A.

235 Chair Kintigh: There is an amendment out to delete your area of concern.

272 Mr. Foster: Thanks the Department of Forestry for working with the O.S.W.A.

283 Dave Nelson: Oregon Seed Council. See exhibit B for amendments and additional pages of the research submitted.

331 Chair Kintigh: Discusses the taxes and research that goes into these studies.

393 Chair Kintigh: I do see some of your concerns, and in committee will look into them.

Tape 27A

05 K.C. VanNatta: Wishes exhibit C amendments reviewed and entered into the record.

40 Mr. VanNatta: Questions the leaving of dead trees and shells for animal life/habitat vs. harvestation.

50 Sen. Dwyer: What size trees are you talking about?

67 Mr. VanNatta: We'd like to see 15 ft. tree rather than the 30 ft. listing as it is currently.

See amendment suggestions (exhibit C), section "c" in regards to "volume."

111 Mr. VanNatta: Works on supply and demand in relation to permit availability. Sometimes opportunities are lost due to the long waiting period for permit allocation. Would like to get a blanket permit for future harvestation i.

145 Sen. Dwyer: If you have a specific tree to harvest then that would be O.K., but by cutting

an entire acre here and there is chaos. That's not forest management.

160 Mr. VanNatta: We're losing money when we're not able to cut on demand.

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170 Sen. Shannon: Agrees with the witness. What should we do?

191 Mr. VanNatta: Make amendments to correct these problems.

205 Charlie Stone: Department of Forestry. We're looking into changing the harvest name brought forth. "types." Addresses concerns that both Mr. Dennison and Mr. Foster have

245 Sen. Dwyer: Did the Forestry Department make the maps we requested at the last meeting?

261 Mr. Stone: Yes, in overhead form. We will be happy to review these items. Brief overview of specific amendments relating to written plans. See hand-out exhibit D.

311 Mr. Stone: The scenic HWY. issues it will continue to be in this bill. The measuring of

distances from right of way or roads edge, the Department of Forestry hasn't really addressed. The five acre issue was just brought to our attention today, so nothing as yet has been done, no amendments. Leave tree and volume concerns could be compromised with the committee through an amendment.

Tape 26B.

17 Mr. Stone: The height issue was set by ODF&W because certain birds will

only live at this

34 defined height. Therefore, this item they might be reluctant to amend.

34 Sen. Dwyer: Do your issues apply only to single ownership's?

46 Mr. Stone: Yes. There will probably be only a small percentage of people

this

would effect or apply to.

100 Mr. Stone: Begins the overhead presentation. Introduces coworker, David
Morman, from

the Department of Forestry who will assist in the presentation.

112 Mr. Morman: Reviews proposed harvest unit categories from overhead.
Basal area concept

discussed see hand out for table, exhibit D.

10 Sen. Dwyer: Can we have copies of the overhead?

175 Mr. Morman: Yes. We will send them to you.

180 Sen. Dwyer: Can you explain "free to grow?"

190 Mr. Morman: Responds with examples.

195 Chair Kintigh: Do you have proof of the leave tree success?

205 Mr. Morman: Yes, there is research from ODW&F to show the success.

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217 Sen. Dwyer: I have seen the "critters" hide-out in the den trees, these
trees are beneficial.

255 Jill Zaenowitz: ODF&W. The width of the tree and height does have an
impact on the nesting habits of birds. Will later provide information and
research of the forest ecosystem and the wildlife in relation to tree size
to the committee. For further questions or studies ODF&W may be contacted.

PUBLIC HEARING closed on

SB -160

Opens WORK SESSION on SCR-2

352 Chair Kintigh: Hearing closed. Move to SCR-2 and work session opened.

360 Sen. Johnson: Discusses the amendments provided in the handouts.

Tape 27B.

06 MOTION: SEN. JOHNSON: Moves to ADOPT SCR-2 as amended.

VOTE: Hearing no objections the amendments are ADOPTED.

SEN. BRADBURY WAS EXCUSED.

20 MOTION: SEN. JOHNSON: Moves SCR-2 as amended the floor with

a DO PASS recommendation.

VOTE: 5-0 MOTION PASSES.

AYE: Dwyer, Hartung, Johnson, Kintigh, Shannon

NO:

SEN. BRADBURY WAS EXCUSED.

Submitted by, Reviewed by, > //

Catrina Victor Office McIntosh

Committee Assistant Committee Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY:

A Testimony on SCR-2-by John Foster. O.S.W.A

B Testimony on SB -160- by Dave Nelson. Oregon Seed Council

C Testimony on SB -160- by K.C. VanNatta. VanNatta Brothers
D Chart submitted-by Charlie Stone regarding the forest practice system
E Letter submitted/faxed for the record-by Paul Ketcham. Audubon Society of

Portland

F SCR-2 Staff measure summarvlamendments

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