

SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
EDUCATION

Hearing Room  
Tapes - 29

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Tom Hartung , Chair  
Sen. Ken Baker, Vice Chair  
Sen. Shirley Gold  
Sen. Marilyn Shannon  
Sen. Cliff Trow

STAFF PRESENT:

Fallie Calder, Committee Administrator  
Carolynn Gillson, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD:

SB 100 re: abolishment of State Textbook Commission, PPW  
SB 155 re: OSSHE participation in short term investment pool, PPW  
Introduction of Committee Bills

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 A

005 SEN. TOM HARTUNG, Chair: Calls meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ON SB 100

Witnesses: Karen Brazeau, Department of Education (DOE)

014 KAREN BRAZEAU, Associate Superintendent, DOE: SB 100 removes a sunset  
clause from the abolishment of the State Textbook Commission which resulted

from legislation adopted in 1993.

> Department replaced Commission with a process for textbook selection  
involving teachers from around the state who were chosen to participate.

> Teachers report it is one of the best staff development activities they  
have engaged in.

> Without the bill the Commission springs back to life.

> Reviews the necessity of an emergency clause on the bill.

038 SEN. CLIFF TROW: How do we now select textbooks if we don't have a  
commission?

BRAZEAU: Teachers meet in subcommittees to review proposed textbooks using  
criteria established and adopted by the State Board.

> People seemed pleased with the process.

> Get best quality of books using this process.

CHAIR HARTUNG: Who appoints the committee members?

BRAZEAU: Teachers are nominated by their peers throughout the state.  
> Publishers pay a fee to have their books involved in the process.

112 CHAIR HARTUNG: Is there sufficient review of the books?

BRAZEAU: Absolute agreement this is an improved process.  
> Merits of books are debated.

#### PUBLIC HEARING ON SB 155

Witnesses: Steve Katz, Oregon State System of Higher Education (OSSHE)

134 STEVE KATZ, Controller, OSSHE: Reviews testimony explaining what the bills does (EXH. A).

SEN. KEN BAKER: Are we doing the same thing that took place last session with the Oregon Investment Council?

KATZ: Not quite sure of what happened last session.

SEN. TROW: Why do we need to do what this bill proposes?

KATZ: The State Treasurer has no other mechanism at the present time to invest funds for OSSHE. The funds would have to sit idle and not be invested.

> Became aware after 1993 session that the money was invested in funds not specifically mentioned in ORS Ch. 351.

SEN. TROW: So this clarifies an existing practice.

199 SEN. MARYLIN SHANNON: Talks about success of short-term investments.

205 CHAIR HARTUNG: Closes public hearing and talks about the committee's schedule.

#### WORK SESSION ON SB 100

277 MOTION: Sen. Baker moves to adopt a conceptual amendment to remove the emergency clause (Sec. 3).

MOTION ADOPTED: No objection.

MOTION: Sen. Baker moves SB 100 as amended to the floor with a do pass recommendation.

355 MOTION PASSES: In a roll call vote, the motion carries with Sen. Shannon voting No.

Carrier: Sen. Baker

#### WORK SESSION ON SB 155

MOTION: Sen. Trow moves SB 155 to the floor with a do pass recommendation.

374 MOTION PASSES: In a roll call vote, the motion carries with all members voting AYE.

Carrier: Sen. Trow.

#### INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE BILLS

396 SEN. GOLD: Reviews summary of LC 1444 which was requested by the Oregon Association for the Deaf (EXH. B).

TAPE 29A

010      MOTION:    Sen. Hartung moves to introduce LC 1444.  
         MOTION ADOPTED:    No objection.  
         MOTION:    Sen. Gold moves to introduce LC 1445 (see EXH. B).

ms:    Questions why bill drafts are being introduced as committee bills.  
> Further discussion on introduction of committee bills.

MOTION ADOPTED:    No objection.  
MOTION:    Sen. Gold moves to introduce LC 1448 (see EXH. B).

087      CHAIR HARTUNG:      What is meant by closed captioned?

BRAZEAU:    It is written text simultaneously shown on the screen.

MOTION ADOPTED:    No objection.  
MOTION:    Sen. Gold moves to introduce LC 1449 (see EXH. B).  
MOTION ADOPTED:    No objection.

127      CHAIR HARTUNG:      Adjourns meeting at 8:40 a.m.

Reviewed and submitted by,

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Committee Assistant

EXHIBIT SUMMARY:

A - Testimony on SB 155 - OSSHE - 2 pages  
B - Introduction of Committee bills - Sen. Gold - 13 pages