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ORIENTATION
Tapes 01 and 02, A/B

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
FINANCE AND TAX POLICY

JANUARY 11, 1995 - 1:00 P.M. - HEARING ROOM A STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Sen . Paul Phillips, Chair
Sen. Shirley Gold
Sen. Tom Hartung (excused 2:00 PM departure)
Sen. Eugene Timms (excused late arrival -2:55 PM departure)
Sen. Cliff Trow
Sen. Greg Walden

Staff: James Scherzinger, Legislative Revenue Officer
Steve Bender, Legislative Revenue Office
Kimberly Taylor James, Office Manager
Janice DeVito, Committee Assistant

TAPE 001 - SIDE A

008 Chair Phillips -calls the meeting to order at 1:05 PM, announces work plan for orientation and general meeting schedule/procedures
-after proponents speak, people who travel for 100 miles or more will then be asked to speak
-government agencies shall consolidate their testimonies
-staff role is described
-comments and questions shall be held until after testimony
072 Chair Phillips -announces issues to be addressed in committee: committee rules, limitation on fees, capitol gains, educational endowment (trust fund), school equalization, local government/administrative/income tax pre-emptions, property tax and administrative exemptions
113 All -discussion and questions about procedure
130 Chair Phillips -notes schedule conflict situation of Sen. Timms
140 All -discussion about coordination with House committee
161 Sen Gold -question about proposed model rules (Exhibit A)
190 James Scherzinger -introduces staff members from Legislative Revenue and attorneys from Legislative Counsel (Exhibit B)
205 Chair Phillips -intends that committee size will remain at six members
250 Chair Phillips -initiates discussion of model committee rules
260 All -discussion and questions/clerical notations
328 Chair Phillips -#10 will be clarified, and staff will review #6
345 Chair Phillips -committee rules to be adopted on temporary basis

1/17/95

-announces hearings 1/17/95 on proposed draft of bill (LC1817)
concerning freeze on state agency fees (Exhibit C)
397 Sen Gold -expresses concern about fees at county and city levels
455 Chair Phillips -requests Jim Scherzinger notify LOC and AOC that
committee is curious about fee-making process, invite their representatives

to appear before committee (probably Tuesday), and ask Counsel about
latitude on local fees

TAPE 2 SIDE A

024 Chair Phillips -intends that committee spend a day to study subject,
and work on bill (LC1817) will begin early-to-mid next week

042 Chair Phillips -outlines concepts of fee bill

050 Sen Walden -asks about E-board review

057 Sen Gold -explains position about fee bill responding to citizen
concerns

076 Sen Trow -cautions members about "unintended consequences" of fee bill

099 Chair Phillips -returns to issues for work planning

110 Sen Trow -asks about consideration of bonding and input from staff

131 Sen Timms -expresses concern about revenue and expenditures over six
year period, and consideration of bond ratings

162 Sen Trow -concern about cost to communities for bonding

174 Chair Phillips -lottery funds will be considered by committee as part
of financial management

185 Sen Gold -initiates discussion of potential issues

-suggests improvements to state tax system be approached in "revenue
neutral" way

240 Chair Phillips -timetables for addressing issues

-Senate bills not heard before April 1 may not be dealt with

261 Scherzinger -each Thursday, a two-week advance schedule will be
distributed to members

290 -distributes list of Potential Legislative Tax Issues (Exhibit D)

318 Chair Phillips -review of Exhibit D

-comments on policy

351 Sen Gold -suggests committee review of interim evaluation of credits
and exemptions

-asks Scherzinger about possibility of staff analysis of legislation tax
impact

438 Scherzinger -difficulties in providing current data for all topics

487 Chair Phillips -staff to direct members to sources of information

TAPE 1 SIDE B

053 Sen Gold -addressing each issue as part of whole tax system

071 Scherzinger -introduces reports on Basic Tax Packet (Exhibit E)

-today's schedule will include review of sections A plus highlights of B
and C

104 Scherzinger -begins overview of section A, Basic Tax Packet

All -questions and discussion interspersed

385.--Steve Bender -continues overview of Basic Tax Packet, beginning with
topic of 2% Surplus Kicker on page A10.

All questions and discussion interspersed

TAPE 2 SIDE B

002 Bender -additional remarks on Basic Tax Packet

080 Sen Timms -inquires about cost of refunding tax rebate "kicker" to
citizens

091 Bender -approximately 1.4 million personal income tax returns filed in

Oregon

102 Sen Gold -previous discussion about refunding

122 Bender -additional information outside the Basic Tax Packet report

All -questions and discussion interspersed

142 Bender -comments on Spending Limits

216 Scherzinger -comments on prior legislation

All -questions and discussion interspersed

313 Bender -begins discussion of corporate and personal income taxation,
Basic Tax Packet page B1

All -questions and discussion interspersed

440 Chair Phillips -adjourns the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Janice DeVito
Committee Assistant

Kimberly Taylor James
Office Manager

Exhibits Summary:

- A. Phillips, Model Senate Committee Rules 1995 Session
- B . Scherzinger, Revenue Staff Specialties 1995 Session
- C. Phillips, LC 1817, 1/12/95
- D. Scherzinger, Potential 1995 Legislative Tax Issues, LRO 1/10/95
- E. Scherzinger, Basic Tax Packet, Research Report #1 - 1/9/95