

SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
RULES AND ELECTIONS

Hearing Room  
Tapes 2

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Randy Miller, Chair  
Sen. Paul Phillips, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Brady Adams  
Sen. Shirley Gold

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Dick Springer

STAFF PRESENT: Kristina McNitt, Committee Administrator  
Gretchen Haber, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD: Introduction of committee bills  
SB 183: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session  
HB 2954: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session  
SB 1141: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session  
HB 2148: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session  
HB 2152: Work Session  
HB 3222: Work Session  
HB 2872: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session  
HJR 40: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session  
SJR42: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session  
HJR 14: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

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.

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003 CHAIR MILLER: Calls the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

SB 183 PUBLIC HEARING (EXHIBITS A, B, C)

007 COLLEEN SEALOCK, DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE: Introduces Scot Tigh.

010 SCOTT TIGH, ELECTIONS MANAGER, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE: Reviews bill.

- Section 2 states that Secretary of State shall not interfere with party by-laws and rules.
- Section 3 adds a method for minor political parties to gain status to be consistent with that of major parties.
- Section 4 provides that minor parties must provide a copy of their organizational documents not later than 30 days after they were adopted and

a list of minor party officers must be filed with the appropriate filing officer, not later than 10 days of the selection.

- Section 5 refers to nonpartisan offices, and brings the statute in line with changes made last session.
- Section 6 adds precinct committeeperson to ORS 249.160.

- Section 7 lays out a procedure for placing candidates names on the ballot.
- Section 8 applies a grandfather clause to ORS 248.

SB 183 - WORK SESSION

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves the -2 amendments (EXHIBIT D).

VOTE: Hearing no objections, the amendments are adopted.

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves SB 183 as amended to the Senate Floor with a do pass recommendation.

VOTE: Hearing no objections, the motion passes.

HB 2954 - PUBLIC HEARING (EXHIBIT E)

070 COLLEEN SEALOCK, ELECTIONS DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE:  
Bill provides opportunity for candidates who may have submitted unacceptable voter pamphlet information to make changes and re-submit.

- Currently, the only errors that can be corrected are portrait errors or errors in their statement of information or in the endorsement section.
- The Secretary of State will not be looking at truthfulness of statements,

or any other areas we weren't responsible for previously.

--Offers flexibility with the handling of errors

MOTION: Sen. Adams moves HB 2954 to the Senate Floor with a do pass recommendation.

VOTE: Hearing no objection, the motion passes.

SB 1141 - Public Hearing (EXHIBITS F, G, H)

105 MARGE BECKERICH: Explains bill.

- Effort to exempt from filing C & E reports those of student club organizations until they reach a \$2,000 contribution or expenditure level
- SB 178 has passed the Senate; it pertained to PACs adding a committee director and assistant treasurer.

130 SEN. ADAMS: The -5 amendments only apply to certain clubs at educational institutions?

134 BECKERICH: Clarifies that the measure would refer to the "teenage" clubs of the parties, and they have to be affiliated with the school or the state organizations.

SB 1141 - WORK SESSION

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves adoption of the-5 amendments.

VOTE: Hearing no objection the amendments are adopted.

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves SB 1141 as amended to the Senate Floor with a do pass recommendation.

VOTE: Hearing no objection, the motion is adopted.

HB 2152-A - WORK SESSION (EXHIBITS I, J)

161 KRISTINA MCNITT: The committee has received conflict amendments to the measure. It is in conflict with another bill before the legislature. The -A4 amendments (EXHIBIT K) eliminate the conflicts.

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves adoption of the -A4 amendments.

VOTE: Hearing no objections, the motion passes.

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves adoption of HB 2152 as amended.

VOTE: Hearing no objections, the motion passes.

HB 2148 - PUBLIC HEARING (EXHIBITS L, M, N)

175 COLLEEN SEALOCK, DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE: The bill fixes two loopholes in existing elections law: it is not illegal for a petition circulator to offer a signer money for signing, and it is not illegal for someone opposing a petition to offer money not to sign the petition.

- In addition, in section 2(2) the buying and selling of signature sheets is addressed.

HB 2148 - WORK SESSION

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves HB 2148 to the Senate Floor with a do pass recommendation.

VOTE: Hearing no objections, the motion passes.

INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE BILLS

227 SEN. PHILLIPS: Sen. Smith has asked that the "Imperial Tombs of China" be recognized (EXHIBIT O). Opens work session on HB 3222.

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves introduction of the draft.

VOTE: Hearing no objections, the motion passes.

HB 3222 - WORK SESSION (EXHIBITS P, Q)

233 MCNITT: The committee has been requested to refer the measure to the Senate Labor Committee.

MOTION: Sen. Miller moves HB 3222 to the Senate Labor Committee.

VOTE: Hearing no objections, the motion passes.

HJR 14 - WORK SESSION (EXHIBIT R)

287 CHAIR MILLER: Sen. Phillips is offering an amendment that would submit the resolution to the people at a special election held on the same date as

the next regular primary election (EXHIBIT S).

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves adoption of the -A6 amendments.

VOTE: Hearing no objections, the motion passes.

MOTION: Sen. Phillips moves HJR 14 as amended to the Senate Floor with a do pass recommendation.

MOTION: Sen. Gold moves to amend HJR 14 to require 3/5 majority to cut taxes as well as raise them.

VOTE: In a roll call vote the motion fails, 1 - 3, Sen. Miller, Adams, and Phillips voting no.

MOTION: Sen.. Phillips earlier motion is now before the committee.

VOTE: Sen. Gold objecting, the motion passes 3 - 1.

359 CHAIR MILLER: Adjourns the meeting.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A - staff measure summary, SB 183, staff, 1 pg.
- B - revenue impact statement, SB 183, staff, 1 pg.
- C - hand engrossed bill, SB 183, staff, 7 pgs.
- D - proposed amendments, SB 183, staff, 1 pg.
- E - staff measure summary, HB 2954, staff, 1 pg.
- F - staff measure summary, SB 1141, staff, 1 pg.
- G - revenue impact statement, SB 1141, staff, 1 pg.
- H - hand engrossed bill, SB 1141, staff, 7 pgs.
- I - revenue impact statement, HB 2152, staff, 1 pg.
- J - fiscal impact statement, HB 2152, staff, 1 pg.
- K - proposed amendments, HB 2152, staff, 1 pg.
- L - staff measure summary, HB 2148, staff, 1 pg.
- M - fiscal impact statement, HB 2148, staff, 1 pg.
- N - revenue impact statement, HB 2148, staff, 1 pg.
- O - bill introduction, staff, 1 pg.
- P - fiscal impact statement, HB 3222, staff, 2 pgs.
- Q - revenue impact statement, HB 3222, staff, 1 pg.
- R - staff measure summary, HJR 14A, staff, 1 pg.
- S - proposed amendment, HJR 14A, staff, 1 pg.