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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON  
SB 309

June 5, 1995      Hearing Room 137  
4:30 p.m.          Tape 1

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. John Lim, Chair  
Sen. Gene Derfler  
Sen. Joan Dukes  
Rep. Lundquist  
Rep. Shibley  
Rep. Snodgrass

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT:

Joseph Cortright, Executive Officer  
Jeri Chase, Office Manager  
Bobby Sullinger, Assistant

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statements made during this session. Only text enclosed in quotation marks

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please refer to the tapes.

TAPE 1, SIDE A

001      CHAIR LIM: Brings committee to order at 4:45 p.m.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SB 309 -- Directs Oregon Economic Development  
Commission,      in cooperation with Oregon Progress Board and Employment  
Department to complete study      concerning "key industries" in Oregon -- Work  
Session.

002      CHAIR LIM: Opens WORK SESSION on SB 309.

004      JOSEPH CORTRIGHT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Overviews A-Engrossed Senate Bill  
309      [EXHIBIT A].

009      CORTRIGHT: Overviews B-Engrossed Senate Bill 309 [EXHIBIT B].

016      SEN. DERFLER: I do not understand why we have the Economic Development  
Commission working with the Progress Board and the Employment Department.  
It does not seem appropriate for these agencies to be involved in deciding  
criteria for key industries. I can understand using them as a resource,  
but I want the Economic Development Commission to do the study and decide  
what criteria to use for selecting key industries. In addition, I want  
Graphic Communications to be designated a key industry.

029      CHAIR LIM: Did you want to make a motion?

030      SEN. DERFLER: I would like to return to the a-engrossed version of SB  
309.

033 REP. SHIBLEY: I believe we should have a thoughtful look at what a key industry is and what criteria to use for future designations.

067 CHAIR LIM: I have heard testimony from the Graphic Communications industry, and based on this information I believe Graphic Communications should be included as a key industry.

079 REP. SNODGRASS: I prefer the Senate version of the bill.

085 REP. LUNDQUIST: I support the Senate version of this bill. Maybe we can merge both versions of the bill and allow Graphic Communications to be designated a key industries and have the study done at the same time.

092 SEN. DUKES: I agree we should merge both versions of the bill.

103 SEN. DERFLER: I will support using both versions of the bill if we eliminate the Progress Board and the Employment Department from being involved in the decision to formulate criteria for key industries.

108 SEN. DUKES: Maybe we should let the Economic Development Commission do the study relating to key industries.

109 REP. SHIBLEY: Can we have staff review the language relating to the b-engrossed version of SB 309?

112 CORTRIGHT: The bill that extends the sunset on the Progress Board is in the Senate Joint Committee on Ways and Means. The funding for the Progress Board has been approved in the OEDD budget. The Progress Board is involved because the state strategic plan Oregon Shines, which the Progress Board is the caretaker of, is the one that originated the list of key industries.

117 CHAIR LIM: Is there support for passing the bill without adding an amendment relating to the Progress Board?

121 REP. LUNDQUIST: Can we have a hearing on this bill at a later time?

122 CHAIR LIM: The Senate has been told the last day for conference committee hearings is tomorrow at noon.

126 SEN. DUKES: Can we instruct staff to drop an amendment that would keep Graphic Communications as a key industry and include a study of key industries. I believe the study should be done by the Economic Development Commission.

130 SEN. LIM: Can we just adopt the conceptual amendment and pass the bill out?

135 REP. SHIBLEY: The EDC would be remiss in not consulting with the Progress Board and the Employment Department when compiling the report on key industries. I would ask that we change the sunset date of the Progress Board along with Senator Duke's proposed amendments.

143 CHAIR LIM: Are there any objections to the proposed amendments?

144 SEN. DERFLER: I would object. I do not mind EDC using the Progress Board as a resource, but I do not want the Progress Board deciding on criteria to use for designating key industries. These decision should be left to EDC.

151 REP. SHIBLEY: I am not suggesting that the Progress Board make  
decisions relating to the criteria to use for key industry designation. I  
want the Progress Board to continue as an entity to be used as a resource  
for the study by EDC.

161 SEN. DUKES: Can we summarize that the Graphic Communications industry  
should be included on the list of key industries and have a study done by  
the commission with consultation from the Progress Board?

168 REP. SHIBLEY: I agree with the your summary. I also want to extended  
the sunset on the Progress Board.

172 SEN. DUKES: I do not think we can extend the sunset of the Progress  
Board because we are bound within the scope of the amendments from the  
House.

177 CHAIR LIM: Could you review the proposed amendments?

178 CORTRIGHT: I understand that the committee wants to combine section 1  
of the a-engrossed bill with section 1 of the b-engrossed bill. In  
addition, replace the language relating to the Employment Department and  
the Progress Board making the decision on key industry criteria with  
language such as: "the EDC after consultation with the Progress Board and  
the Employment Department will decide on criteria for key industry  
designation".

189 REP. SHIBLEY: What kind of problems would we face if the Progress Board  
sunsets?

190 CHAIR LIM: We are going to pass this bill out with conceptual  
amendments. Is everyone in agreement?

195 REP. SHIBLEY: I think we are doing a disservice to the state if we do  
not extend the sunset date of the Oregon Progress Board.

198 CHAIR LIM: Could you review the language once again to make sure  
everyone understands the proposed amendments?

200 CORTRIGHT: The direction, as I understand it, would be to combine  
section 1 of the a-engrossed bill with section 1 of the b-engrossed bill.  
In addition, on page 1, line 4 of the b-engrossed bill, delete "in  
cooperation" and insert "after consultations".

204 MOTION: SEN. LIM: MOVES that the Senate CONCUR in the House amendments  
to SB 309-A dated May 10, 1995 and that the bill be FURTHER AMENDED and  
RE-PASSED.

205 VOTE: PASSES: In a roll call vote, SEN. DERFLER, DUKES, LIM and REP.  
LUNDQUIST and SNODGRASS vote AYE. REP. SHIBLEY votes NO.

211 SEN. DERFLER will lead discussion on the Senate Floor.

212 REP. LUNDQUIST will lead discussion on the House Floor.

213 CHAIR LIM: Closed WORK SESSION on SB 309.

213 CHAIR LIM: Adjourns meeting at 5:04 p.m.

Submitted by,

Bobby Sullinger  
Committee Assistant

EXHIBIT SUMMARY:

EXHIBIT A - A-Engrossed Senate Bill 309, Presented by Joseph Cortright, 1 page.

EXHIBIT B - B-Engrossed Senate Bill 309, Presented by Joseph Cortright, 2 pages.