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HOUSE STATE AND SCHOOL FINANCE COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 23, 1995 8:30 AM HEARING ROOM A STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Rep. John Schoon, Chair
Rep. Ron Adams
Rep. Lee Beyer (8:40 am late arrival)
Rep. Tim Josi (8:40 am late arrival)
Rep. Tony Federici, Vice Chair (8:40 am late arrival)
Rep. Jane Lokan (8:35 am late arrival)
Rep. Anita Rasmussen (8:45 am late arrival)
Rep. Jim Welsh

Members Excused: Rep. Ken Strobeck

Witnesses Present:

Staff: James Scherzinger, Legislative Revenue Officer
Terry Drake, Legislative Revenue Office
Rhonda Wehler, Committee Assistant

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007 Chair Schoon -calls the meeting to order at 8:35 am and conducts
administrative business
009 Terry Drake -refers to Exhibit A, SB 333A Bill summary
-defines fee, amount charged by a state agency
-page 2, Exhibit A, exemptions include: tuition or fees charged by Stat

Board of Higher Education or any state insitutuion of higher education,
unemployment insurance taxes, fees or payments required for certain health
agencies, intergovernmental charges, state agency charges on employees for
benefits on services, forest protection district assessments and Oreon
Forest Land Protection fees

091 -refers to Exhibit B, SB 333 Analysis, Agencies Affected, Non-subject
Agencies and Other Exempted Entities

106 Sen. Phillips -Tigard, sumaarizes concept arose in 1989 due to analyzing
fees agencies charge, no centralized agencies to provide data to make
fiscal decisions, three main points-centralized data bank, department of
administrative services is helping with that, to put in philosophical guide

for legislators to vote on fees ti give spending authority to agencies to
have legislaotrs made a decision as to reasonable fees, to address the
public's oconcern with overall fees, but not to be conclusive about fees:
hospital fees couldn't decide, flexibility--licensing boards for taking
tests, define fee, require legislative oversight, allow for emergencies,
product fees-commodity commissions-don't include them, members set their
own fees, fees for bonds exempt, added legislative branch to live by same
criteria

189 Rep Welsh -local govt. connection?

197 Sen Phillips -Sen. Gold relayed local government fees more out of control

than rest, looked at those, fees delegated by state, programs implemented
by cities and counties, for them to do more services, they charge more,
should mandate fees? but that would be constrictive to agencies who combine

programs at local level, hearing and review (public hearing) at local level

required before fees raised written into bill

245 Sen. Phillips -is amalgamation of discussion from 1989 interim and
sessions since that time

-discussed DEQ, forest services, human and natural resources, city/county
government control, some want roll backs to 1993 or before, settled on

exempting those fees that were approved by legislative process, 1/1/94
rollback OK for fees not legislatively considered, penalties, fees, and
fines are outside of this would be restrictive and not prudent
309 Rep. Adams -questions and discussion. refers to Exhibit C, Revenue Impact
336 Vice Chair Federici -asks why arbitrary 10%, would that become automatic

increase every year, is that increase to save program whose demise is
imminent

343 Sen. Phillips -10% was set and agencies surveyed, no agencies felt that
was unrealistic number, no in-depth analysis done, figures that have been
used historically, no governor in recent history has raised fees in that
amount, fees have to be approved by next legislative assembly or they are
rolled back

391 -E Board could raise expenditure limitation to help ailing agencies

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006 Rep Rasmussen -asks about implementation

008 Sen. Phillips -1994 date, E Board will testify at public hearing for
emergency clause,

023 Chair Schoon -adjourns meeting at 9:05 am