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HOUSE STATE AND SCHOOL FINANCE COMMITTEE

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FEBRUARY 28, 1995 8:30 AM HEARING ROOM A STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

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Members Present: Rep. John Schoon, Chair  
Rep. Ron Adams  
Rep. Lee Beyer  
Rep. Tony Federici, Vice Chair (8:38 am late arrival)  
Rep. Tim Josi (8:38 am late arrival)  
Rep. Jane Lokan  
Rep. Anita Rasmussen  
Rep. Ken Strobeck  
Rep. Jim Welsh (8:35 am late arrival)

Witnesses Present: Dennis Day, Oregon State Association of County Assessors  
Dr. Matthew Gruber, American Transpacific Housing, Inc.  
John McCulley, Tree Fruit Growers  
Ray Wilkeson, OFIC  
Bill MacKenzie, OSUJA  
Dave Nelson  
Jerry Mullen

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

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007 Chair Schoon -calls the meeting to order at 8:30 am and conducts administrative business  
OPENS PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2252  
019 Dennis Day -opposed to exemption bills, asking to exempt buried irrigation pipe becomes permanent value of property, can't be moved as above ground pipe can be, Morrow County has \$21 million in buried irrigation, if bill was passes Morrow County would lose 28% of assessed value, never heard farmer voice complaints against buried water pipe  
084 All -questions and discussion  
087 Day -buried irrigation pipes improvements made to land inherent to land improve marketability and should not be exempted  
-wells are also exempt  
158 Day -bill should clarify if pumps, motors, electrical panels are exempt  
214 -water in well is not valued, only buried irrigation pipe, no value is added because of well itself, such as septic system  
-could value land because of buried pipe and because it is irrigated land  
266 -CLOSES HEARING ON HB 2252  
268 -OPENS HEARING ON 2063  
272 Matthew Gruber -summarizes farm labor housing problem in Marion County  
-farmers reluctant to place housing on property, legislature allowed them to place housing on exclusive farm use property, low-cost seasonal camps can be put up in 60 days, bureaucratic process takes 1 year, law allowed finances to take a 50% tax credit on interest charged, 2 incentives for farmer -tax credit and encouraging bank to loan for the farmer  
-problem in 5 year limitation, by establishing farm worker housing, extend

time limit cuz it takes time to recruit farmers, good method

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004 Chair Schoon -clarifies that tax credits need to be reviewed every 6 years due to term limits  
017 Gruber -each year farmer has to certify as a migrant labor camp, if housing is ever used for non-farm worker, they lose the credit  
-his company does not deal with permanent property, only seasonal, need is

usually from mid-May to August, can't use it more than 270 days, has to be empty for 90 days, Marion County has administrative standards that must be met

-sunset means everything comes up for review, and if not renewed, then it

dies

094 John McCulley -refers to Exhibit A, Written Testimony, supporting tax credit for farmworker housing

-need more seasonal family housing

124 Chair Schoon -expresses concern for permanent housing allowance

132 McCulley -growers have limited number of workers who are there year round

(mainly nursery)

157 Lynn Parton -Housing & Committee, Mobile Home Park, in full support in full agreement, fiscal impact of HB 2063 \$116,000 for 1992-93 if every park

closed and every tenant was eligible for credit, older, smaller parks are ones that close, provision in Landlord Tenant Law, must give, tax credit provided as fail safe for governments to fall back on

217 Chair Schoon -asks about legislation to create a dispute resolution system would help reduce number of moves to mobile home parks

263 Rep Beyer

258 Rep Lokan -cost to move a mobile home

263 Parton -\$2-\$8 K to move, not intended to be moved, but to be permanent placement

272 -if mobile home park gives 365 days notice to close, provision to pay \$3,500 towards cost of moving if they don't

282 -CLOSES PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2259

290 -OPENS PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2256

294 Ray Wilkeson -supports HB 2256, reforestation part, does not apply to statutory reforestation, this is conversion tax credit for underproductive land, \$500/acre average cost, no return for 50 years, if then, mainly in coast range due to brush competition

357 Bill MacKenzie -in day of heavy regulation, program acts as incentive, creates jobs for planters as well as management, production of finished product in mills

384 Rep Rasmussen -asks reasons for brushy land

399 Wilkeson-when originally logged, lands went back to counties when they couldn't pay taxes after being logged, some went back to conifers, brush or

alder reseeded

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032 All -questions and discussion

044 Wilkeson-forestry department has numeric standards for stands required for reforestation and those shown as underproductive

-applies to commercial hardwood stands, any species of trees that can be

used commercially

073 -use credit to deal with forest health problem in central Oregon

083 Chair Schoon CLOSES HEARING ON HB 2256

087 -OPENS HEARING ON HB 2243

127 John Charles -refers to Exhibit B, Written Testimony, opposing HB 2243

136 -if tax credit is allowed to sunset, no effect, tax credit is suppressing innovations, would lead to new ways to produce same product

240 Dave Nelson -expresses support of HB 2243, program has two major purposes, to ease the burden of environmental regulation, dairy farmers and

seed growers have stringent regulations

296 Jerry Mullen -grass seed grower, credit allowed for machinery, equipment,

buildings for growers to consider other alternatives for burning, supports concept into year 2000, problems of weeds, slugs, straw, tax credit won't keep farmer afloat but is an incentive, helpful tool, his farm gives straw away, reimbursement for baling, stacking, net loss to deal with straw

355 Rep Welsh -refers to ethanol bill

383 Nelson -amendment requiring Environmental Quality Commission transferring

final process to Department of Agriculture

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007 Rep Rasmussen -questions

023 -

039 Mullen -unburned residue left on grass seed fields encourages slug population

109 -seed with disease spores can't be sent to foreign markets

114 Rep Strobeck -asks why no propane burners

122 Mullen -equipment can't meet current emission standards

153 George Permsteiner -Department of Higher Ed, debt would be extinguished

by 2023

170 Rep Beyer -asks

174 Permsteiner -1991 session parking garage was approved on OHSU hill

200 Vice Chair Federici -asks about Exhibit C, Written Testimony, what pollution control facilities are

211 Rep Josi-Tillamook County waste in non-saturated environment diminishes pollution environment, have developed containers for liquid and solid waste

to store until ground isn't saturated

266 Chair Schoon -discussion

267 Rep Josi-

279 Vice Chair Federici -

319 Chair Schoon -conducts administrative business

355 -CLOSES HEARING ON HB 2243

361 -ADJOURNS MEETING AT 10:20 AM