

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON LABOR

March 12, 1993 Hearing Room D 8:30 a.m. Tapes 54 - 55
MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. John Watt, Chair Rep. Lee Beyer Rep. Michael
Payne Rep. Charles Starr MEMBERS EXCUSED: Rep. Bob Tiernan STAFF
PRESENT: Marilyn Johnston, Committee Administrator Rick Gaupo,
Committee Clerk MEASURES CONSIDERED: HB - 2080 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.

TAPE 54, SIDE A

003 Chair Watt calls the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2080

Administrator Johnston submits and summarizes Staff Measure Summary and
impact statements - (Exhibit A) 024 Honorable Philip T. Abraham,
Circuit Judge, submits and summarizes prepared statement - (Exhibit B)
and distributes a prepared statement by the Office of the State Court
Administrator - (Exhibit C) TAPE 55, SIDE A 029 Honorable Abraham
concludes statement and fields questions from the members > Vice-Chair
Beyer asks what the average age of retirement is for judges > Vice-Chair
Beyer asks whether judges can work as attorneys during their Pro Tem
services

Bill Linden and Judge Abraham field questions from the members
> Vice-Chair Beyer asks questions regarding the budget of this
program and how much relief to the system will be provided
120 > Chair Watt asks whether the position of judge is more
stressful than that of yesteryears? Yes > Chair Watt asks whether we
are handing down a lesser quality of justice than the state should be?
No > Chair Watt asks what percentage of judges will opt for plan B?
Nearly all > Chair Watt asks why parts of this measure did not pass
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Bill Linden and Judge Abraham continuing fielding questions from the
members > Chair Watt asks whether this retirement covers the rural areas
of Oregon? Yes 229 > Chair Watt asks whether this retirement system
is an investment today for a savings tomorrow 268 Vice Chair Beyer
asks Judge Abraham to bring an improved fiscal analysis to the committee
along with data that compares Oregon's system to that of other states
303 Chair Watt adjourns the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Submitted by Reviewed by Rick Gaupo Marilyn Johnston Committee
Clerk Committee Administrator

EXHIBIT LOG: A - HB 2080, Staff Measure Summary, Staff, 3 pages B - HB
2080, Prepared Testimony, Judge Abraham, 8 pages C - HB 2080, Report,
Judge Abraham, 17 pages

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