

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

February 2, 1993 Hearing Room E 1:30 p.m. Tape 07

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Carolyn Oakley, Chair Rep. Jim Whitty, Vice-Chair
Rep. John Meek Rep. Patti Milne Rep. John Schoon Rep. Larry Sowa Rep.
Sharon Wylie

STAFF PRESENT: Linda Sample Brown, Committee Administrator
Carolynn Gillson, Committee Assistant

MEASURES CONSIDERED: HJM 1 - regarding expenditure of federal
education funds - PAW HB 2061 - deletes obsolete or unnecessary
references

and dates in education law - PH

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statements made during this session. Only text enclosed in
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TAPE 07, SIDE A

004 REP. CAROLYN OAKLEY, chair: Calls meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ON HJM1 Witnesses: Rep. Liz VanLeeuwen, District 37 Greg
McMurdo, Department of Education (DOE) John Marshall, Oregon School
Boards Association (OSB A)

028 REP. LIZ VanLEEUEWEN: Reviews what the bill does. > This bill
came out of the House Interim Government Mandates Committee and the Task
Force of School Administrators.

038 GREG McMURDO, deputy superintendent, DOE: The restrictions on
the use of federal funds by local education agencies is one of the
irritations

apparent to the group of school administrators who met last interim. >
At the same time, the Board of Education and the Superintendent of

Public Instruction were working with Senator Hatfield and others to get
flexibility of certain funds. > Talks about federal legislation that
has been introduced to do the

same thing as HJM1.

060 JOHN MARSHALL, OSB A: Encourages the committee to send the HJM
1 to Congress.

076 REP. JOHN SCHOON: Talks about not knowing where some funds are
being spent. What keeps school districts from not using funds for what
they

are earmarked?

McMURDO: Gives an example of not using funds wisely in regards to school breakfast money.

REP. SCHOON: Talks about school districts using transportation money for other things. Flexibility with funds is great as long as there is some way to know the outcome.

139 LINDA SAMPLE BROWN, Administrator: Talks about the federal companion bill introduced by Oregon Congressman Peter DeFazio.

142 REP. LARRY SOWA: Does one of the federal restrictions prevent the state from using education funds for private schools?

McMURDO: Not to my knowledge. We have state statutes that prohibit that.

WORK SESSION ON HJM1

MOTION: Rep. Whitty moves HJM1 with a do pass recommendation.

MOTION PASSES: In a roll call vote, the motion carries with all members voting AYE. Carrier: Rep. Meek.

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2061 Witnesses: Kathleen Beaufait, Office of Legislative Council John Marshall, Oregon School Boards Association (OSB A) John Danielson, Oregon Education Association (OEA) Greg McMurdo, Department of Education (DOE)

210 KATHLEEN BEAUFAIT, Office of Legislative Council: Reviews the work that went into drafting HB 2061 which cleans up the language in the education statutes. > Notes there was no intention to change the purpose or intent of any

education statute. > Points out a minor change on p. 85 - kindergarten and prekindergarten are not considered to be grades. An amendment will be submitted to the

committee.

302 JOHN MARSHALL, OSB A: I was part of the group that worked on developing this bill. > Plans to work with Legislative Counsel to make a minor correction in

the bill.

322 JOHN DANIELSON, OEA: Talks about the group that worked on the housekeeping measure. There was no intent to change the statute. The

whole purpose was to clarify and simplify problems that have developed over the past 25 years. It is a good bill and it should pass.

343 GREG McMURDO, DOE: Kathryn Murdock from the Department worked with the group. > Department staff has found a few simple changes but

they are not

substantive. An amendment will be prepared to address those changes.

374 CHAIR OAKLEY: Adjourns meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Carolynn Gillson Assistant