HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

April 29, 1993 Hearing Room E 1:30 p.m. Tapes 65-66

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Carolyn Oakley, Chair Rep. Jim Whitty, Vice-Chair Rep. John Meek Rep. Patti Milne Rep. John Schoon Rep. Larry Sowa Re STAFF PRESENT: Linda Sample Brown, Committee Administrator Carolynn Gillson, Committee Assistant

MEASURES CONSIDERED: HB 3083 - home sch students participate in priv. sch. activities, PUB HB 3565 - priv. sch. students pa sch, PUB

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005 REP. CAROLYN OAKLEY, chair: Calls the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Public Hearing on HB 3083 Stan Baker, Santiam Christian School Greg McMurdo, Department of Education (DOE) Marv Evans, Confederation of Oreg 018 STAN BAKER, Santiam Christian School: Summarizes what the bill would do.

046 REP. SCHOON: I am not sure whether the bill permits homeschoolers to participate in music activities just within the school or 050 GREG McMURDO, DOE: We have no position or interest in the bill. This would apply to only interscholastic activities not extracurri REP. WHITTY: What kind of access do homeschoolers have to regular classes?

McMURDO: Districts may admit homeschool students to regular classroom activities. However, they are not required to. If the int 087 MARV EVANS, COSA: My experience has been in the districts I have been associated with that we allow those homeschoolers to part CHAIR OAKLEY: Talks about issues raised last session during hearings on homeschool legislation.

REP. WHITTY: As a classroom teacher, I would not like having no grade control over a homeschool student who is taking a public school class. MCMURDO: It is an option for school districts. Teachers who are not happy with the policy could file a complaint with the school distr REP. MILNE: Do we have the authority to pass a bill making public and private enterprises interchangeable?

154 McMURDO: Reviews what ORS 326.058 covers. It is not mandatory for public schools or private schools to do this.

CHAIR OAKLEY: The Catholic Conference did not object to the bill because it is only an option.

REP. MEEK: Explains the differences between this bill and the legislation passed last session.

206 McMURDO: Refers to Home School Participation Survey (EXHIBIT A) and reviews the steps taken by the DOE to implement legislation pas REP. WYLIE: No problem with this particular bill. If more students were involved, I would be interested in a funding mechanism.

EVANS: Testifies on behalf of Oregon School Activities Assoc. (OSAA) and refers to provisions in the -1 amendment (EXHIBIT B). > HB 3083-Public Hearing on HB 3565 Stan Baker, Santiam Christian School Greg McMurdo, Department of Education (DOE) Marv Evans, Confederation of Oreg 314 STAN BAKER, Santiam Christian School: This bill would allow private school students to participate in public school interscholastic EVANS: OSAA would rather do this through their own rulemaking procedure than in statute. > Language in Section 2(2) is unclear and would pre 409 BAKER: We have no problem with meeting OSAA eligibility requirements. This bill would permit students to participate in school act EVANS: OSAA can change their existing policies through their own regulations rather than through the legislative process.

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041 REP. SCHOON: If a private school exists in the larger public school district, why not combine their interscholastic programs like the CHAIR OAKLEY: It is my understanding they would only be participating in a public school program if a similar program is not already o McMURDO: I don't believe the bill says that.

REP. SCHOON: Wouldn't it be better for the public school to work out an agreement with the private school in their district?

EVANS: Some schools could decide not to work out an agreement and students would be the losers. We are not a strong advocate for the bill 074 CHAIR OAKLEY: The number of students is minimal.

McMURDO: Most private schools are already OSAA members. Private schools are not required to be licensed by the DOE. If they choose to be l REP. WYLIE: Under the requirements of this bill, could a waiver be granted for students who want to participate in an after school activit EVANS: The waiver process is used in situations where the regulations do not allow it to make sense. > OSAA regulations are designed to ke 156 REP. WYLIE: How would a small uncertified private school demonstrate academic eligibility standards for athletic participation?

McMURDO: Not sure how it would work under this bill. OSAA has been very cooperative in working out these problems.

REP. MILNE: Are we eliminating the individual student's desire to participate?

REP. SCHOON: Enabling rules would allow OSAA to work out an agreement.

Public Hearing on HB 3346 Rep. John Meek, District 5 Greg McMurdo, DOE

211 REP. JOHN MEEK: Outlines what the bill provides for and why it is necessary progressive legislation. > Explains how many school dist 319 McMURDO: You may wish to require private schools be licensed by DOE so school districts do not contract with unlicensed schools. > Poi REP. SCHOON: What about use of uncertified teachers?

REP. MEEK: A valid Oregon teachers license would be required. Agrees legislation should not apply to parochial schools.

REP. MEEK: Need innovative ways to deal with the overcrowding issue.

MCMURDO: Make sure language refers to nonparochial schools. Local school boards can decide whether to use a nonlicensed instructor. 427 CHAIR OAKLEY: Adjourns meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Reviewed and submitted by:

Carolynn Gillson Assistant

EXHIBIT LOG: A - Testimony on HB 3083 - OSAA - 4 pages B - HB 3083-1 amendment - OSAA - 1 page C - HB 3083-2 amendment - OSAA - 1 page