

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

May 20, 1993 Hearing Room E 1:30 p.m. Tapes 80 - 81

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

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Rep. Carolyn Oakley, Chair

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

MEASURES CONSIDERED: HB 2473 - Auth. TSPC to enter into reciprocal agreements, PUB HB 3225 - Pymt of stipends from lottery funds for community serv., PUB HB 3371 - Modifies proced. for reduction in force in sch. dists., PUB HB 3638 - Parking priv. granted with driver's lic., veh. regis. & ins., PUB

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TAPE 80, SIDE A

004 REP. JIM WHITTY, Vice-Chair: Calls meeting to order at 1:38 p.m.

Public Hearing on HB 2473 David Myton, Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) Marv Evans, Confederation of School Administrators, COSA Jim Green, Oregon School Board Administrators, OSB A John Danielson, Oregon Education Association (OEA)

020 DAVID MYTON, TSPC: Reviews background on the bill concerning reciprocity which also includes provisions for fingerprinting teachers who apply from out-of-state. TSPC cannot get background checks on out-of-state applicants without the use of fingerprints. The Legislature has to specifically give TSPC authority to obtain fingerprints. > The HB 2473-2 amendment (EXH. A) would improve the situation even though it does not go as far as SB 15.

064 MARV EVANS, COSA: Lists reasons for separating the reciprocity question from the fingerprinting question. Uncomfortable with tying fingerprinting to reciprocity when fingerprinting is already being dealt with in other committees.

VICE-CHAIR WHITTY: If fingerprinting leads to finding someone who has previously been fingerprinted because of an arrest, what happens next?

091 REP. LARRY SOWA: We can get information from the State of Washington on how fingerprinting is working for them.

VICE-CHAIR WHITTY: Does one of the other bills apply to those who have already been hired?

109 JIM GREEN, OSB A: HB 2489, introduced by Rep. Courtney, covers people who have already been hired. The HB 2473-2 amendment would only cover out-of-state applicants for new teacher licenses. > Another fingerprinting bill, SB 1078, is waiting for a fiscal impact statement. People who currently have a valid teacher's license would not be required to be fingerprinted under SB 1078. Classified and certified employes starting a new position would be fingerprinted. Volunteers are not covered under HB 2489. In HB 2489, the fingerprint cards will be kept on record. The \$35 charge covers the process and the search.

156 REP. JOHN SCHOON: When somebody applies for a teaching position, is the applicant asked if they have ever been convicted of a felony?

MYTON: TSPC asks 10 questions which include if there has ever been an arrest or conviction. A false statement on the application is grounds for revoking the license. > In the last work session on HB 2489, the committee made it clear it intended to include renewals of teachers and periodic rechecking of classified people.

181 JOHN DANIELSON, OEA: Believes the original bill is a useful tool and supports it. Does not want teachers to be the only ones that are fingerprinted and feels the state should pay for the process not the applicant. Suggests using another one of their bills if the committee decides to separate the two issues. > Not opposed to fingerprinting but does not want reciprocity legislation held up because of it. > If background checks are done on incumbent teachers at the time of renewal, then other employes who work with children should be checked as well.

Public Hearing on HB 3225 John Peterson, Oregon Student Lobby (OSL) Ann Sukalac, Volunteers in Service to Oregon (VISTO) Gary Andeen, Oregon Independent College Assoc. (OICA)

286 JOHN PETERSON, OSL: Reviews the changes in the proposed HB 3225-4 amendments (EXH. B). > Suggests changing Section 2(4a) language so individual institutions and not the OSSC approve eligible students. > Refers to the funding of the program on lines 25-31 on page 3 of the amendment.

TAPE 81, SIDE A

021 REP. SOWA: Is this just a two-year program?

REP. SCHOON: It is a pilot program with a sunset in case there is no funding available next session.

REP. SOWA: Does it effect only four-year colleges and not community colleges?

REP. SCHOON: It could be expanded to community colleges. PETERSON: We want as many people as possible involved in the program.

060 ANN SUKALAC, VISTO coordinator: Reviews her testimony in support of the bill (EXH. C) because it would allow high school students to continue volunteering to help finance their education after 19 years of age.

102 GARY ANDEEN, OICA: Explains why Linfield College is the best

choice to be involved in the pilot project. Linfield already requires student volunteer work for credit and but has not decided whether to attach a stipend. Waiting for their decision whether to participate in the pilot program.

Public Hearing on HB 3371

Vickie Totten, Oregon School Board Association (OSB A) Sen. Neil Bryant

156 VICKIE TOTTEN, OSB A: This is our layoff and recall bill. The OEA disagrees with giving school districts discretion to do consolidations on appeals. Since in the last 10 years, most multiple layoffs have been consolidated anyway, the OSB A has decided hanging on to affirmative action language is more important. OSB A and OEA will be in complete agreement on the bill if you adopt the HB 3371-1 amendment (EXH. D).

187 SEN. NEIL BRYANT: Talks about the HB 3371-3 amendment (see EXH. S, May 6, 1993) which relates to transferring administrators. COSA agrees with the amendment language.

Public Hearing on HB 3638 Rep. Patti Milne

223 REP. PATTI MILNE: Reviews the changes in the HB 3638-1 amendment (EXH. E). > Refers to memo from OCCA for information regarding the status of student parking permits at Oregon's community colleges (EXH. F).

288 VICE-CHAIR WHITTY: Adjourns the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Reviewed and submitted by:

Carolynn Gillson Assistant

EXHIBIT LOG: A - HB 2473-2 amendment - TSPC - 3 pages B - HB 3225-4 amendment - OSL - 4 pages C - Testimony on HB 3225 - VISTO - 2 pages D - HB 3371-1 amendment - OEA - 1 page E - HB 3638-1 amendment - Rep. Patti Milne - 7 pages F - Testimony on HB 3638 - OCCA - 1 page