

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT

January 28, 1993 Hearing Room 357 8:30 a.m. Tapes 5 - 6

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Cedric Hayden, Chair Rep. Jim Edmunson,
Vice-Chair Rep. Ken Baker Rep. Carl Hosticka Rep. Patti Milne Rep. Chuck
Norris Rep. Del Parks Rep. Lonnie Roberts Rep. Sharon Wylie

STAFF PRESENT: Janet Adkins, Committee Administrator Kimberly
Burt, Committee Assistant

MEASURES CONSIDERED: HB 2124 HB 2199 HB 2335 HB 2185 HB 2200 HB
2279 HB 2270 HB 2220

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005 CHAIR HAYDEN: Calls meeting to order. (8:35 a.m.) Members
present: Baker, Hosticka, Milne, Norris, Parks, Wylie, Edmunson and
Hayden.

WORK SESSION ON 2124

010 JANET ADKINS, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: It has been requested that
this bill be sent to the Committee on Revenue to work on instead of
this

committee.

017 MOTION: REP. PARKS MOVES 2124 TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVENUE
WITH NO RECOMMENDATION AS TO PASSAGE.

REP. WYLIE: I'd like to hear again why we are doing this.

CHAIR HAYDEN: It is a revenue bill and the Revenue Committee has
requested that it come under their jurisdiction and I have no objection,
nor do the subcommittee chairs.

032 VOTE: HEARING NO OBJECTION THE MOTION CARRIES.

WORK SESSION ON HB 2199

033 JANET ADKINS, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: Describes HB 2199,
submits HB 2199 (-1) amendments and preliminary staff measure summary,
(EXHIBIT A).

CHAIR HAYDEN: This was heard in transportation subcommittee.

060 MOTION: REP. BAKER MOVES THAT HB 2199 BE SENT TO THE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION.

070 VOTE: IN A ROLL CALL VOTE THE CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.
MEMBERS EXCUSED: REP. ROBERTS REP. EDMUNSON WILL CARRY

WORK SESSION ON HB 2335

078 JANET ADKINS, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: Describes HB 2335, submits preliminary staff measure summary, (EXHIBIT B).

097 MOTION: REP. PARKS MOVES HB 2335 BE SENT TO THE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION.

103 VOTE: IN A ROLL CALL VOTE THE MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY. MEMBERS EXCUSED: REP. ROBERTS REP. HAYDEN WILL CARRY.

WORK SESSION ON HB 2185

106 JANET ADKINS, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: Describes HB 2185, submits preliminary staff measure summary and informative material, (EXHIBIT C).

130 MOTION: REP. NORRIS MOVES HB 2185 BE SENT TO THE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION.

135 VOTE: IN A ROLL CALL VOTE THE MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY. MEMBERS EXCUSED: REP. ROBERTS REP. PARKS WILL CARRY.

WORK SESSION ON HB 2200

142 JANET ADKINS, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: Describes HB 2200, submits preliminary staff measure summary, (EXHIBIT D).

REP. NORRIS: This isn't for every driver, but a representative from trucking outfits would have to attend.

180 MOTION: REP NORRIS MOVES THAT HB 2200 BE SENT TO THE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION.

186 VOTE: IN A ROLL CALL VOTE THE MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY. REP. ROBERTS EXCUSED. REP. NORRIS WILL CARRY.

WORK SESSION ON HB 2279

194 JANET ADKINS, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: Describes HB 2279, submits fiscal statement and preliminary staff measure summary, (EXHIBIT E).

215 MOTION: REP. PARKS MOVES THAT HB 2279 BE SENT TO THE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION.

VOTE: IN A ROLL CALL VOTE THE MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: REP. ROBERTS REP. WYLIE WILL CARRY.

WORK SESSION ON HB 2270

247 JANET ADKINS, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: Describes HB 2270, submits preliminary staff measure summary, (EXHIBIT F).

294 MOTION: REP. PARKS MOVES THAT HB 2270 BE SENT TO THE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION.

REP. NORRIS: What is an "international will"?

REP. EDMUNSON: It is a will that can be executed in other countries; having wills registered in the State of Oregon was thought to make it easier to find, but this wasn't used much.

REP. NORRIS: The existence of such a will would be filed, but not the will itself?

REP. EDMUNSON: Yes.

338 REP. HOSTICKA: Was there presentation or testimony from the Sheriffs Association?

CHAIR HAYDEN: No there wasn't.

REP. HOSTICKA: My local Sheriffs Office called my office with concerns about section one.

REP. PARKS: You can already serve these by mail; most lawyers serve garnishments by mail and the Sheriff can serve these by mail also.

383 REP. NORRIS: This bill doesn't eliminate the requirement for insurance, but the requirement to file the proof of insurance?

REP. PARKS: The requirement is for process servers; if you want to send it in the mail you don't have to have insurance.

REP. WYLIE: I was uncomfortable dropping this; I felt that there should be recourse; it doesn't seem appropriate to me to remove that requirement in a housekeeping matter.

REP. WYLIE: If served by mail, is it by certified mail?

REP. PARKS: It has to be certified mail.

REP. EDMUNSON: Does the Sheriff charge to serve garnishments?

REP. PARKS: Yes.

464 VOTE: IN A ROLL CALL VOTE THE MOTION CARRIES. MEMBERS VOTING NO: REP. HOSTICKA MEMBERS EXCUSED: REP. ROBERTS REP. EDMUNSON WILL CARRY.

WORK SESSION ON HB 2220

485 JANET ADKINS, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: Describes HB 2220, submits fiscal impact statement and preliminary staff measure summary,

(EXHIBIT G).

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040 MOTION: REP. PARKS MOVES THAT HB 2220 BE SENT TO THE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS RECOMMENDATION.

CHAIR HAYDEN: The Executive Department had requested an increase from \$1000 to \$2500.

064 FAYE BURCH: Testifies in opposition to HB 2220; the bill was introduced by the former advocate and when I checked with the businesses that use

the services they indicated that often times they are able to get five and ten of those contracts and our position is that we would like them to have more opportunities, not less.

078 VOTE: IN A ROLL CALL VOTE THE MOTION CARRIES. MEMBERS VOTING NO: REP. HOSTICKA, WYLIE AND EDMUNSON. MEMBERS EXCUSED: REP. ROBERTS

WORK SESSION - INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE BILLS

090 CHAIR HAYDEN: Describes LC drafts, (LC 1271, 1315, 1852, 2139, 213 9-1, 2448 & 2452), and indicates requestors, (EXHIBIT H).

115 MOTION: REP. EDMUNSON MOVES THE INTRODUCTION OF THE DRAFTS EN BLOC.

REP. EDMUNSON: This isn't implying support, by supporting the introduction of these drafts.

124 VOTE: HEARING NO OBJECTION THE MOTION CARRIES. MEMBERS EXCUSED: REP. ROBERTS

CHAIR HAYDEN: We will take a twenty minute recess.

INFORMATIONAL HEARING

CHAIR HAYDEN: Calls the hearing back to order. (9:32 a.m.)

133 SECRETARY OF STATE, PHIL KEISLING: I will talk about the various functions of the Secretary of State's Office, we are broad based and

multi faceted.

_ Describes responsibilities of the various divisions of the office such as elections, archives, publishing administrative rules and licensing functions of notary public.

_ We house several policy boards that regulate specific professions,

such as tax services and real estate appraisals.

_ For the most part we are "other funds"; general funds are limited and go to the election division and the archives division.

_ REP. ROBERTS arrives. (9:36 a.m.)

211 KEISLING: Describes election package of bills introduced in the House Chamber.

227 REP. ROBERTS: There is a bill to make the primary election a vote by mail election, do you have a position on that?

KEISLING: That is another bill I've introduced; that bill is estimated to save \$750,000.

CHAIR HAYDEN: That bill will be heard in the Government Subcommittee on Tuesday.

REP. HOSTICKA: Do I have to put a stamp on my ballot for vote by mail?

KEISLING: Yes, but we don't consider the cost of people driving to the polling places.

_ In this package are bills to move school board elections to once every two years, and to eliminate an election date, the June election, so there would be four possible election dates.

_ Continues to describe legislative proposals.

328 KEISLING: I testified yesterday about a bill to provide more public access to administrative rule processes; we are looking at public

records laws, that bill is still in the completion stages.

REP. ROBERTS: What you've come up with has been here before; do you expect to see opposition on the school board election issue?

KEISLING: The school board election is an exception and I do expect that there will be people who will oppose this, but it will save money

that can be spent elsewhere. 405 REP. ROBERTS: School board elections would be in March?

KEISLING: Yes, our bill proposes keeping March elections, so they could be held in March, May, September or November.

REP. ROBERTS: The revolving names on the ballot, would that be by lottery?

KEISLING: Yes.

430 REP. HOSTICKA: Your office used to publish a volume of C&E

reports, do you still?

KEISLING: We do for the primary and general for those contributions over \$50 for Senators or Representative and \$100 for state wide races; I'm not happy with how it comes out, we have to key in all the information, double and triple checking everything.

_ We are trying to improve our data processing system internally to more quickly get that information out.

485 REP. HOSTICKA: I would urge you to go as fast as you can; it is a useful publication and hopefully it can be done in a more timely

fashion.

_ On your proposal to eliminate certain races on the ballots, what if someone wanted to do a write in, would it be available on the ballot?

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037 KEISLING: I don't think so; there is a filing deadline; if it is contested it will show up.

REP. WYLIE: In Washington State there was a book, "who gave, who got and how they voted"; has there been any thinking on a non partisan group creating this with the Secretary of State buying copies for offices?

KEISLING: We now publish the "who gave - who got" part, but it needs improvement; my vision, as it were, would be for that information to be aggregated when filed.

105 CHAIR HAYDEN: Is there a savings in the random selection for names on ballots?

KEISLING: In the Portland City election in May of 1992, fourteen individuals ran for Mayor and the county had to print fourteen different ballot configurations and the computers had to be programmed; the estimated cost was \$300,000.

CHAIR HAYDEN: With random selection you print only one book?

KEISLING: Yes; our feeling is that if it makes a difference, it should be mandated for all elections.

145 CHAIR HAYDEN: There are a number of small businesses in Oregon; how is that small business different from a political campaign who hires two or three people for a period of a year; how is that organization spending

\$50,000 or \$60,000 more pejorative than a business that had nothing to

do with politics.

KEISLING: Political committees are entities that have been a little unclear; this issue comes up as to are they small businesses for the purposes of withholding taxes and unemployment and the like; I don't think the legislature has said that a political committee is or isn't a business.

_ I think political committees are necessary; it is a system we have set up.

215 CHAIR HAYDEN: The House Revenue Committee will be devoting time tomorrow to a presentation of the transportation funding package and you are welcome to join them.

_ We are adjourned.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY:

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