

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

February 10, 1993 Hearing Room D 3:30 p.m. Tapes 7 - 8

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Liz VanLeeuwen, Chair Rep. Ray Baum Rep. Marilyn Dell Rep. Sam Dominy Rep. Bill Fisher Rep. Tim Josi Rep. Dennis Luke Rep. Bill Markham Rep. Chuck Norris

STAFF PRESENT: Catherine Fitch, Committee Administrator Pat Zwick, Committee Coordinator Sue Nichol, Committee Clerk

WITNESSES: Phil Ward, Department of Agriculture Nan Dewey, Oregon Veterinary Medical Association Ken Evans, Oregon Hunters Association

MEASURES CONSIDERED: HB 2208 - Work Session HB 2212 - Public Hearing and Work Session

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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. [--- Unable To Translate Graphic ---]

TAPE 1, SIDE A

005 CHAIR VanLEEuwEN: Calls the meeting to order at 3:35.

HB 2208

009 CHAIR VanLEEuwEN: Opens work session on HB 2208.

013 CATHERINE FITCH: Explains amendments on HB 2208. Amendment HB 220 8-1 would limit the civil penalty to the manufacturer of the remedy only

(Exhibit A). Amendment HB 2208-2 would reinstitute a sunset (Exhibit B). Legislative Council made an error in preparing the LC drafts,

therefore, if passed, they will need to be passed in concept. 034 MOTION: REP. BAUM: Moves the ADOPTION of the hand engrossed amendment 2208-1 revised by subcommittee from LC 514 dated 2/10/93.

042 VOTE: CHAIR VanLEEuwEN: Hearing no objection, amendment is adopted. All members are present.

051 REP. NORRIS: Asks if there are any objections from the audience.

059 PHIL WARD, Department of Agriculture: Has no objection to

2208-1 and 2208-2.

078 NAN DEWEY, Oregon Veterinary Medical Association: Pleased that 2208-1 amendment has been accepted.

074 MOTION: REP. DOMINY: Moves to ADOPT amendment 2208-2 as hand engrossed.

087 REP. MARKHAM: Thinks the sunset is redundant.

096 REP. LUKE: Agrees with Rep. Markham.

100 REP. DELL: Feels that cost of the program can be better evaluated with a sunset on the bill.

111 DEWEY: Wants this sunset on the bill so it's evaluated accurately.

130 REP. DOMINY: Passage of this amendment is important in order to test this type of funding.

138 VOTE: In a roll call vote, Representatives Baum, Dell, Dominy, Fisher, Josi, Norris and Chair VanLeeuwen vote AYE. Representatives

Luke and Markham vote NAY.

151 CHAIR VanLEEUEWEN: Amendment 2208-2 has been adopted with a 7 to 2 subcommittee vote.

153 MOTION: REP. DOMINY: Moves that HB 2208, AS AMENDED, conceptually, be sent to the full committee with a DO PASS recommendation and the

bill be referred to Ways and Means Committee.

VOTE: In a roll call vote, all members are present and vote AYE.

174 CHAIR VanLEEUEWEN: The motion CARRIES.

175 REP. JOSI: Will carry HB 2208 to the full committee.

179 Work session on HB 2208 closed.

HB 2212

181 Public Hearing on HB 2212 Open.

197 Sharon Harmon, Oregon Humane Society: Speaks in support of HB 2212 which would expand the definition of "meat animal" to include buffalo

and other farm raised game animals or exotic animals not indigenous to

this state for purposes of certain regulations concerning processing and inspecting meat. Supports HB 2212 as it has been proposed to be amended as it would protect consumers and animal health. Submits Exhibit C.

219 CATHERINE FITCH: HB 2212-1 amendment has been superseded by amendment 2212-2. (Exhibit D). Amendment 2212-2 expands the

definition to

vertebrate animals (reptiles and birds or any other legal species) that would be legal for sale for human consumption in Oregon.

260 PHIL WARD, Department of Agriculture: The intention of the bill was to give jurisdiction to inspect and regulate certain types of meat that

were entering the food chain in Oregon, but the Department of Agriculture didn't have specific authority to require inspection.

296 WARD: In response to a question by Rep. Markham, buffalo is currently included as a species which is required to be inspected because it is

considered as a bovine species, although no explicit statutory authority exists.

Amendment 2212-2 does not give more authority than the original bill in relation to buffalo, but gives additional jurisdiction over other species.

313 CHAIR VanLEEuwEN: Does this take into account the animals at Linda Nickerson's ranch on Elk Creek. Her testimony is included (Exhibit E).

325 WARD: Does seem to take her concerns into account.

335 KEN EVANS, Oregon Hunters Association: Expresses concern about game animals indigenous to the area being included in market system.

375 REP. BAUM: This problem is taken care of in current regulations which prohibit elk and deer to be marketed.

402 Public Hearing on HB 2212 Closed

TAPE 8, SIDE A

010 MOTION: REP. DOMINY: Moves to ADOPT the HB 2212-2 amendments (LC 519) dated 2/8/93.

016 REP. NORRIS: What does fishlike mammals refer to?

021 WARD: Food and Safety Staff provided this terminology. Marine mammal may be more appropriate terminology.

033 REP. NORRIS: What about any "terrestrial vertebrate mammal?"

036 WARD: The intent is to address the fact that there are different procedures for inspection of fish and fishlike mammals.

049 REP. JOSI: Likes the idea of "terrestrial mammal."

055 WARD: Concerned about non-terrestrial mammal that would become a specialty food.

062 REP. JOSI: The current language doesn't exclude bats.

068 REP. FISHER: Animals have to be inspected before and after slaughter. This would be hard to accomplish in the case of whales.

083 REP. NORRIS: Won't pursue issue of "fishlike mammals."

090 CHAIR VanLEEUEWEN: Asks if there's any more explicit wording that could be used.

094 REP. FISHER: Believes this uses correct biological terminology.

102 REP. DELL: Believes it would include anything except worms or insects.

110 REP. DOMINY: The Agency would understand this language and so that's what is important.

123 VOTE: CHAIR VanLEEUEWEN: Hearing no objection, the amendment is adopted. REP. BAUM is excused.

131 MOTION: REP. DOMINY: Moves HB 2212-2, AS AMENDED, be sent to the full committee with a DO PASS recommendation.

154 VOTE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote AYE. REP. BAUM is EXCUSED.

165 CHAIR VanLEEUEWEN: The motion CARRIES.

REP. FISHER: will carry the bill to the full committee.

Next meeting will be Friday at 1:30.

168 REP. LUKE: Expressed thanks for tour of the Department of Agriculture.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15.

Submitted by:

Reviewed by:

Sue Nichol  
Administrator

Catherine Fitch Clerk

EXHIBIT LOG:

A - Hand engrossed amendment HB 2208-1 revised by subcommittee from (LC 514) dated 2/10/93 - 5 pages  
B - Hand engrossed amendment HB 2208-2 revised by subcommittee from (LC 514) dated 2/10/93 - 2 pages  
C - HB 2212 - Testimony - Sharon Harmon - 1 page  
D - Hand engrossed amendment 2212-2 (LC 519) dated 2/8/93 - 4 pages  
E - HB 2212 - Testimony - Linda Nickerson - 1 page