

Public Hearing & Work Session: HB 3386  
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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON  
HOUSE REVENUE AND SCHOOL FINANCE  
PROPERTY TAX SUBCOMMITTEE

JUNE 23, 1993 11:30 AM HEARING ROOM A STATE CAPITOL

BUILDING

Members Present: Representative Tom Brian, Chair

Representative Mike Burton

Representative Margaret Carter

Representative Fred Girod

Representative Delna Jones

Representative Jim Whitty

Witnesses Present: Dan Maks, Beaverton

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Gary Conkling, Beaverton School District

Fred Van Natta, Oregon State Home Builders Association

John Chandler, Staff Attorney, Common Ground, Urban Land Council of Oregon;  
and the

Homebuilders's Association of Metropolitan Portland

Staff: James Scherzinger, Legislative Revenue

Officer

Terry Drake, Legislative Revenue Office

Paula McBride, Committee Assistant

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007 CHAIR BRIAN called the meeting to order at 11:34.

009 CHAIR BRIAN opened the Public Hearing on HB 3386.

011 TERRY DRAKE pointed out the amendments to HB 3386, HB 3386-1, which would entirely replace the bill. HB 3386-1 would dedicate lottery funds (\$30 million) for "school facility improvement" fund, as defined in the amendments, and would cover grades K-12, Special Service Districts, and community colleges. There was also language related to distribution of the funds, most importantly that only \$3 million would go to any one district during a biennium, if the district was able to raise a matching grant. The fund would be administered by the State Board of Education. Exhibit 1

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045 CHAIR BRIAN mentioned for the record that SENATOR PAUL PHILLIPS had intended to testify in support of HB 3386-1, but he could not attend.

048 DAN MAKES testified in support of HB 3386-1. He spoke about his experience as a parent with children in the Beaverton School District and the problems with that district has because of the lack of funding for new school facilities. His testimony was verbatim. Exhibit 2

106 GARY CONKLING testified in support of HB 3386-1, believing the amendments mirror other legislation proposed by the Beaverton School District to dedicate funds for school construction. He mentioned some provisions of HB 3386-1 of which he approved. However, he believed the \$30 million wasn't enough to take care of all the construction needs of Oregon schools, and he urged members to look for additional funds for this particular need. Exhibit 3

Discussio

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164 REP. WHITTY expressed his displeasure that language in HB 3386-1 ensure that the Beaverton School District would be one of the first districts to benefit from HB 3386-1, while other, perhaps more rural, districts would not be able to meet the provisions of the bill in spite of the need for school construction. He emphasized that he found many provisions of HB 338 6-1 discriminatory.

Discussion

205 REP. GIROD concurred with the statements of REP. WHITTY. He wanted language changes made to HB 3386-1 that would prevent priority being given to any one district; specifically, he wanted provisions (b) and (c) in Section 4 eliminated.

Discussion

278 GARY CONKLING explained that language for HB 3386-1 was taken from another Legislative bill (HB 3171), which, in turn, was taken from Washington State legislation. He used that material to provide a "few goal posts" necessary for a competitive grant program. He talked about his motivation for this special school fund, and reiterated that Oregon was only one of four states that did not have a special fund for school construction.

Discussion

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384 FRED VAN NATTA supported the use of lottery funds for school construction, but not as a long-term, continuous commitment.

Exhibit 4

406 JOHN CHANDLER testified in support of HB 3386-1, which he believed would be a good use of lottery funds for the needs of local areas and for economic development. He supported the concerns expressed by REP. WHITTY and REPS. GIROD that smaller districts not be discriminated against with HB 388 6-1, but he thought language changes could be made to the bill that would alleviate this possibility.

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003 REP. WHITTY suggested that language be inserted into HB 3386-1 that would ensure money from the "special education fund" be given to those districts that most needed the financial help for new facilities.

Discussion

047 CHAIR BRIAN mentioned his concern over funds in HB 33861 being used for "athletic facilities," and he asked for members input on this.

Discussion

065 CHAIR BRIAN closed the Public Hearing on HB 3386-1 and conducted administrative business.

Discussion

079 CHAIR BRIAN adjourned the meeting at 12:08.

Paula K. McBride, Committee  
Assistant  
Kimberly Taylor, Office Manager

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#### EXHIBIT SUMMARY

1. HB 3386-1, Terry Drake, Legislative Revenue Office.
2. Testimony of Dan Maks, in support of HB 3386-1
3. Testimony of Gary Conkling, in support of HB 3386-1, Beaverton School District.
4. Testimony of Fred Van Natta, in support of HB 3386-1, Oregon State Home Builders Association.

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