

SENATE ETHICS, ELECTIONS, AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMMITTEE

April 5, 1993 Erb Memorial Union, Univ. of Oregon 1:30
p.m. Tapes 36 and 37 MEMBERS PRESENT: Senator Grattan Kerans,
Chair Senator Joan Dukes MEMBERS EXCUSED: Senator Neil Bryant Senator
Rod Johnson Senator Dick Springer STAFF PRESENT: Annette Talbott,
Committee Counsel Tamara Brick[nan, Committee Assistant

MEASURES CONSIDERED: Informational meeting Campaign Finance Overview
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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. TAPE 36, SIDE A

WITNESSES: MARGARET TIBBETTS, Oregon State Public Interest Research
Group (OSPIRG) ANNA BINDER, OSPIRG JOHN FLANERY ANDREW CHRISTIANSEN LISA
LEWIS TIM RAPHAEL, OSPIRG JOY MARSHALL, Oregon Fair Share PAUL PRENSKEY
JOEL ARIO, Executive Director, OSPIRG RICHARD SALING DON KIMBALL JESSE
SIMONS DAN HAAPALA, OSPIRG MARTIN CHAMPION

006 CHAIR KERANS: Calls meeting to order at 1:45 p.m. Makes statement
regarding campaign finance.

034 SEN. DUKES: Makes remarks regarding campaign finance reform.

047 MARGARET TIBBETTS, OSPIRG, University of Oregon Student: Testifies
in support of and discusses campaign finance reform. Discusses OSPIRG's
suggestions for contribution limits.

087 CHAIR KERANS: Asks Ms. Tibbetts a question regarding the issue of
where unions should be placed in campaign finance reform. Senate Ethics,
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088 TIBBETTS: Responds to Chair Kerans. Continues testimony.

117 CHAIR KERANS: Discusses the issue getting people of "modest means"
to run for office and the issue of public financing.

129 TIBBETTS: Responds to Chair Kerans' comments.

146 ANNA BINDER, OSPIRG, University of Oregon Student: Testifies in
support of and discusses campaign finance reform.

169 SEN. DUKES: Comments on Ms. Binder's testimony.

180 JOHN FLANERY, University of Oregon Student: Testifies in support of
and discusses campaign finance reform. (EXHIBIT A) 210 ANDREW
CHRISTIANSEN, University of Oregon Student: Testifies in support of and
discusses campaign finance reform. Discusses the issues of free speech.

217 CHAIR KERANS: Discusses, with Mr. Christiansen, the issue of
contributions from individuals to candidates.

247 LISA LEWIS, University of Oregon Student: Testifies in support of
and discusses campaign finance reform. Discusses the issue of voter
education. 280 TIM RAPHAEL, Energy Advocate, OSPIRG: Discusses the
issue of political contribution tax credits. 314 CHAIR KERANS:
Discusses the issue of political contribution tax credits.

340 JOY MARSHALL, Lane County Organizer, Oregon Fair Share: Testifies in support of SB 416. Discusses issues of campaign finance reform. Comments on union participation in elections.

462 CHAIR KERANS: Discusses the tax credit issue in connection with SB 416. Comments on PACs.

TAPE 36, SIDE B

001 MARSHALL: Responds to statements made by Chair Kerans.

013 CHAIR KERANS: Continues the discussion on PACs.

016 SEN. DUKES: Discusses the issue of political contribution tax credits. Comments that statistics show that "the little guy isn't the one who is taking advantage of the tax credit."

030 MARSHALL: Discusses, with Sen. Dukes, the issue regarding tax credits and the need for more grass roots organization in campaigns.

044 CHAIR KERANS: Discusses political contribution tax credit usage for certain tax years.

059 MARSHALL: Comments that there is a need to limit overall spending for ballot measures. _

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064 PAUL PRENSKEY, Member, Lane County Democratic Party: Testifies in support of and discusses campaign finance reform.

100 CHAIR KERANS: Comments on Mr. Prenskey's statements.

112 PRENSKEY: Continues discussion on campaign finance reform.

126 JOEL ARIO, Executive Director, OSPIRG: Testifies in support of campaign finance reform. Discusses OSPIRG's views in regards to SB 416.

182 CHAIR KERANS: Discusses the political contribution tax credit issue. 185 ARIO: Continues the discussion on political contribution tax credits and campaign finance reform. 238 CHAIR KERANS: Discusses the issue in HB 3307 which would require disclosure of entities to shareholder of contributions the entity makes to a ballot measure in excess of \$5,000. 243 ARIO: Responds to Chair Kerans' statement. Testifies in support of HB 330 5 and HB 3306 as amendments to SB 416.

261 SEN. DUKES: Comments that she likes the idea of a two tiered fee in voter's pamphlet.

266 CHAIR KERANS: Discusses Sen. Dukes' statement in regards to the voters' pamphlet. Discusses the issue of Voter Education Committees (VEC).

293 ARIO: Discusses the reasons for supporting Representative Stein's bill regarding VECs.

304 CHAIR KERANS: Comments on Mr. Ario's statement.

320 RICHARD SALING: Testifies in support of campaign finance reform. Discusses his suggestions for "fixing" the system.

354 CHAIR KERANS: Comments on Mr. Saling's testimony. 365 SALING: Responds to Chair Kerans' comments.

373 DON KIMBALL: Testifies in support of and discusses campaign finance reform. Discusses the issue of accountability of elected officials. Discusses the issue of candidates drawing funds from outside their districts.

TAPE 37, SIDE A

002 CHAIR KERANS: Comments on Mr. Kimball's testimony.

014 KIMBALL: Responds to a question asked by Chair Kerans. 019 SEN. DUKES: Discusses the issue of candidates raising money from outside their districts.

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029 KIMBALL: Comments that is "stands out more at the national level."

035 JESSY SIMONS, University of Oregon Student: Testifies in support of and discusses campaign finance reform. Discusses the issue of educating the voting public as a solution.

078 CHAIR KERANS: Discusses Mr. Simons' testimony. "The gateway to getting accountability is to equalize campaign finance."

105 SIMONS: Comments that he believes education is fundamental to changing the system.

110 SEN. DUKES: Discusses the subject of getting more people involved in the political system. Asks Mr. Simons what suggestions he might have to getting more people involved.

117 SIMONS: Comments that forums such as this one are a good start and suggests that education is a key issue.

135 DAN HAAPALA, OSPIRG, University of Oregon Student: Testifies in support of and discusses campaign finance reform.

168 MARTIN CHAMPION: Testifies in support of SB 416. Discusses the constitutional issues, Buckley v. Valeo.

194 CHAIR KERANS: Adjourns meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Reviewed by: Tamara Brickman Annette Talbott
Assistant Counsel

EXHIBIT LOG

A - Testimony on Campaign Finance Reform - John Flanery - 1 page B - Campaign Finance Reform Matrix - Committee Staff - 2 pages

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