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Public Hearing SB 271
Work Session SB 79
SB 272
SENATE COMMITTEE ON
REVENUE AND SCHOOL FINANCE

JANUARY 28, 1993 1:00 AM HEARING
ROOM A STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Senator Shirley Gold, Chair
Senator Brady Adams
Senator Ron Cease
Senator Rod Johnson
Senator Peg Jolin
Senator Tricia Smith

Members Excused: Senator Paul Phillips

Witnesses Present: John Hall, Oregon Economic Development Department Karma Elmor, Department of Revenue Jerry Hanson, President, Oregon State Association of County Tax Assessors Ray Erland, President, Oregon State Association of County Tax Collectors Alan Willis, Port of Portland

Staff: Steve Meyer, Legislative Revenue Office
Jennifer Belkle, Committee Assistant

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015 CHAIR GOLD called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m.

025 JOHN HALL began testimony regarding SB 79 Exhibit 1. He explained that the enterprise zone program was set up to run on a calendar year. The current situation puts property on the tax role 6 months prior to the time in which a corporation can apply for an exemption. This bill would correct this problem.

Questions and discussion.

90 JOHN HALL went through Exhibit 1 step by step noting all of the proposed changes to SB 79.

Questions and discussion interspersed.

375 JOHN HALL noted that the changes reflect the desired dates of assessment, application for exemptions, and other deadlines.

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001 JOHN HALL continued testimony regarding SB 79.

Questions and discussion interspersed.

097 JOHN HALL defined a "deadzone" and its negative impact on a corporation.

120 SEN. CEASE inquired about how the "deadzone'r problem is going to be corrected in SB 79.

125 JOHN HALL explained that the proposed amendments to this bill provides the company with an accelerated filing date for exemptions.

169 KARMA ELMOR explained the addition of subsections to the bill. This amendment covers those situations where both 1) the firm had been granted the exemption or 2) if the firm was denied the exemption, then section 17B allows them the enterprise zone exemption retroactively.

Questions and discussion.

230 CHAIR GOLD began the public hearing on SB 271.

245 STEVE MEYER introduced and explained SB 271.

265 JERRY HANSON gave testimony regarding SB 271. He explained that this bill is in answer to the problems created by HB 2550. He stated that farm use properties which should be disqualified, are not because of the current timeline situation.

330 RAY ERLAND clarified that the July 1 assessment date is for work that is completed by July 1.

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001 JERRY HANSON continued.

024 STEVE MEYER stated that there would be a slight increase in revenue. Questions and discussion.

038 CHAIR GOLD continued the Public Hearing/Work Session on SB 272.

040 JERRY HANSON testified regarding SB 272.

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050 JERRY HANSON stated that the taxpayer has lost his ability to receive the 3% refund for prompt payment. The SB 79 allows for those taxpayers to pay within a timeline that would still entitle them to receive their 3% discount.

Questions and discussion.

070 JERRY HANSON stated that he does not believe legislation is necessary regarding the Port of Portland's amendments to SB 272.

Questions and discussion.

117 JERRY HANSON felt the Port of Portland amendment opened a window of opportunity far beyond what he believes is reasonable. He stated that he believed one year is adequate.

150 ALAN WILLIS explained his amendment to SB 272. The added language that the Port of Portland recommended gives a 4-5 year retroactive discount process. However, if the taxpayer has neglected their duty they are not eligible to recoup their refund/discount.

Questions and discussion.

333 RAY ERLAND clarified what is meant by omitted property status. He stated that when the assessors cannot get their work done this is no fault of the taxpayer. However, citizens do have a responsibility to know if a tax bill reflects the current status of the property.

Questions and discussion.

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001 JERRY HANSON, RAY ERLAND, and ALAN WILLIS continued testimony on SB 272 .

Discussion .

165 CHAIR GOLD adjourned the meeting at 2:46 p.m.

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Kimberly Taylor, Office Manager

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Exhibit Summary

1. Hall, Mock-up of SB 79
2. Fiscal Impact Statement SB 79
3. Revenue Impact Statement SB 79
4. Fiscal Impact Statement SB 271

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