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Public Hearing SJR25
SENATE COMMITTEE ON OREGON TAX SYSTEM
REVENUE AND SCHOOL FINANCE
March 23, 1993 1:00 PM HEARING ROOM A STATE CAPITOL
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Members Present: Senator Shirley Gold, Chair Senator Brady Adams Senator
Rod Johnson Senator Joyce Cohen Senator Paul Phillips Senator Tricia Smith

Members Excused: Senator Ron Cease

Witnesses Present: M. Teresa Hernandez, Oregon Young People's Caucus
Jennifer Shy, Oregon Young People's
Caucus

Joe Gilliam, National Federation of Independent Business

Ed Patterson, Oregon Hospital
Association

Richard Schwarz, Oregon Federation of Teachers, Education & Health
Professionals

Staff: James Scherzinger, Legislative Revenue
Officer

Bryan Boehringer, Committee Clerk

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001 CHAIR GOLD: Called the meeting to order at 1:14 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ON SJR25

025 JENNIFER SHY, OREGON YOUNG PEOPLE '8 CAUCUS: Submits and reviews
testimony on SJR25. (Exhibits A & B)

059 M. TERESA HERNANDEZ, OREGON YOUNG PEOPLE CAUCUS: Submits and reviews
testimony. (Exhibits A & B)

084 CHAIR GOLD: Asks for further explanation of the caucus.

094 HERNANDEZ: Explains some of the activities of the group. Discusses the
"Sage Brush" advocacy group.

110 SEN. JOHNSON: Discusses the definition of education, and cost of higher
education in the resolutions. Refers to HCR2. Asks for prioritization of
cuts. ~

130 SHY: Would like to keep all education, suggests sales tax.

142 HERNANDEZ: Would like to cut wasteful programs.

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146 CHAIR GOLD: Explains the sacrifices in balancing a budget.

180 SEN. SMITH: Asks about response and feedback from their friends.

187 HERNANDEZ: Explains the need to support the future.

192 SEN. SMITH: Asks about school activism.

197 SHY: Explains that school activiSMis picking up.

207 SEN. ADAMS: Asks about the mood of the students in the shadow of the
cuts to education.

211 SHY: There is a lot of anger in response of the proposed cuts.

221 CHAIR GOLD: Discusses the huge task of balancing the budget.

278 HERNANDEZ: Discusses other measures dedicated to education.

281 SEN. CEASE: Discusses the cuts, and the difficulty in dealing with
balancing the budget.

323 SEN. COHEN: Clarifies other areas of the budget.

342 SEN. SMITH: Discusses the need for replacement revenue.

367 CHAIR GOLD: Updates the committee on legislation in other committees.

TAPE 91, SIDE A

INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON THE OREGON TAX 8Y8TBM

048 JOE GILLIAM, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS: Testifies on the Oregon tax system. Discusses other methods of raising revenue.

089 SEN. SMITH: Asks about education of group on the choices in balancing the budget.

102 GILLIAM: Discusses composition of the group. Explains the education process for group members.

130 SMITH: Discusses ways of enhancing the legislature's credibility.

143 GILLIAM: Explains the education process in detail.

184 SEN. SMITH: Discusses tax exemptions proposed by NFIB.

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194 GILLIAM: Discusses the need for prioritization, admits that exemptions will be low priority.

242 CHAIR GOLD: Requests that NFIB suggest a possible budget solution.

269 SEN. COHEN: Explains her budget "party".

308 GILLIAM: Discusses the amount of choices, and how difficult a compromise is.

379 SEN. CEASE: Discusses budget priorities and privatization.

TAPB 90, BIDE B

015 GILLIAM: Explains the magnitude of this budget's decisions.

044 SEN. ADAMS: Asks how the NFIB views the cuts to education.

054 GILLIAM: NFIB feels that it is a necessary cut.

068 SEN. ADAMS: Asks about NFIB's feelings toward the Oregon health care plan.

073 GILLIAM: Guesses that the group would be neutral.

097 CHAIR GOLD: Asks what an ideal revenue package would look like for the NFIB.

108 GILLIAM: Explains a possible revenue package. Outlines the necessities for passing a revenue package.

176 ED PATTERSON, OREGON HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION: Testifies on the Oregon tax system. Discusses the states revenue problem on a long term basis. Explains a possible tax reform.

354 SEN. COHEN: Asks for clarification in resolving local budgeting problems.

359 PATTERSON: Gives an example. Explains the need to create a package that is sellable to the public.

436 CHAIR GOLD: Discusses the shortfalls in the process. Discusses problems with the Oregon health plan, and problems with funding.

TAPE 9', BIDE B

015 PATTERSON: Discusses changes in timeline numbers.

025 SEN. COHEN: Discusses funding the health plan from the current budget.

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028 PATTERSON: Discusses possible suggestions for election dates.

067 CHAIR GOLD: Discusses the possibility of failing in the November election.

079 PATTERSON: Suggests a special session to solve the problem.
094 SEN. SMITH: Asks about the activity of the OHA members.
120 PATTERSON: Discusses OHA's position on possible plans.
141 SEN. SMITH: Discusses sacrifices by all groups.
150 PATTERSON: Explains that the members are interested in long term plans,
rather than short term remedies.
175 SEN. ADAMS: Asks about the types of cuts that OHA would like to see.
185 PATTERSON: Discusses the need for creating a plan that is appealing to
a broad range of people. Eliminate the "fat".
219 SEN. ADAMS: Discusses net cuts.
313 CHAIR GOLD: Adjourns the meeting at 2:59 p.m.

Submitted by: Reviewed by:

Bryan BoehringerKim Taylor
Committee Clerkn Committee Coordinator

EXHIBIT LOG:

A - Testimony on SJR25 - Jennifer Shy - 6 pages
B - Testimony on SJR25 - Jennifer Shy - 1 page

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