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SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

June 13, 1991Hearing Room B  
1:00 p.m.Tape 66

MEMBERS PRESENT:Senator Jolin, Chair  
Senator Otto, Vice-Chair  
Senator Kennemer  
Senator Bunn  
Senator Shoemaker

STAFF PRESENT: Cherie Copeland, Committee Administrator  
Apryl Poff, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD: HB 3302-A 9-1-1 training, PUB and WS.

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PUBLIC HEARING AND WORK SESSION.  
TAPE 66, SIDE A

005 CHAIR JOLIN: Calls the hearing to order at 1:06 p.m.

010 HB 3302-A 9-1-1 TRAINING, PUB AND WS.  
Witnesses: Steve Bennett, Board on Police Standards and Training.  
David Yandell, Oregon Emergency Management.  
Rep. Ron Cease.

015 DAVID YANDELL: Summarizes testimony in favor of HB 3302-A. HB 3302-A comes as a result of legislative direction received during the 1989 session. There were two 9-1-1 bills introduced last session. HB 2235 proposed to remove the sunset on the telephone tax. HB 304 2 would have required the creation of an 18-member commission to establish standards and a training program for 9-1-1 operators throughout the state. Through meetings with the public safety community, we agreed to a concept of creating a program which would first commit to the creation and adoption of standards by July of last year. HB 3302 involved the development of a recommendation for a training program and identification of the cost implications to state and local government, reporting this back to the Legislative Assembly this session. We agreed to proceed with a proposal to establish a

legislative recommendation  
to transfer the program from Oregon Emergency Management to the Board on  
Police Standards and  
Training. HB 3302 would fulfill the legal requirements of transferring the  
program.

068 REP. RON CEASE: Last session there were two House bills that dealt  
with the issue of training  
for 9-1-1 operators. The basic reason for HB 3302 is to upgrade training  
for 9-1-1 operators and improve  
the status of those people. During the interim we had discussions with the  
police academy who had  
particular interest in upgrading training. HB 3302 would provide a formal  
transfer from Oregon  
Emergency Management to the Board on Police Standards and Training.  
Everyone to my knowledge is  
quite happy about this. This bill is a twin to a major 9-1-1 enhancement  
bill (HB 3564) which will be  
coming out of Ways and Means shortly. HB 3564 provides the funding for HB  
330 2.

100 CHAIR JOLIN: Why is there still a subsequent referral to Ways and  
Means?

105 RON CEASE: Just in case there is a problem with HB 3564.

112 STEVE BENNETT: The purpose of this bill was to professionalize and  
recognize the status and  
the critical link and service that telecommunicators provide. We feel that  
our agency is the best agency  
to handle this. We have in this session changed the name of our agency to  
the Board on Public Safety  
Standards and Training.

127 VICE-CHAIR OTTO: Is this bill going to be added into HB 3364?

135 REP. CEASE: No. These are two separate bills.

MOTION: Chair Jolin moves HB 3302-A to Ways and Means with  
a Do Pass  
recommendation.

VOTE: In a roll call vote the motion  
carries with all members voting "AYE."

165 CHAIR JOLIN: Adjourns hearing at 1:19 p.m.

Submitted by: Reviewed by:

Apryl Poff           Cherie Copeland  
Committee Assistant   Committee Administrator