

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE AND VETERANS'**  
**AFFAIRS**

**February 17, 2009**  
**8:00 A.M.**

**Hearing Room B**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**       **Sen. Laurie Monnes Anderson, Chair**  
                                     **Sen. Jeff Kruse, Vice-Chair**  
                                     **Sen. Alan Bates**  
                                     **Sen. Bill Morrisette**  
                                     **Sen. Frank Morse**

**STAFF PRESENT:**         **Robert Shook, Committee Administrator**  
                                     **Cassandra Strauch, Committee Assistant**

**Measures/Issues Heard:**   **SB 98 – Public Hearing and Work Session**  
                                     **SJM 1 – Public Hearing**  
                                     **SJM 2 – Public Hearing**  
                                     **SJM 3 – Public Hearing**  
                                     **SJM 4 – Public Hearing**  
                                     **SB 400 – Public Hearing**  
                                     **SB 379 – Public Hearing**

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## **SHCVA**

**2/17/2009 8:01:00 AM**

**8:01:01 AM** Meeting Called to Order  
**8:01:57 AM** SB 98 - Public Hearing  
**8:01:59 AM** Robert Shook, Committee Administrator  
**8:02:45 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:02:55 AM** Sen. Morrisette  
**8:03:23 AM** Paul Evans, Chair, Governor's Task Force on Veterans' Services  
**8:04:00 AM** {Exhibit} 1: Evans  
**8:04:45 AM** {Exhibit} 2: Evans  
**8:06:52 AM** Jim Willis, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs  
**8:06:52 AM** {Exhibit} 3: Willis  
**8:09:14 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:09:31 AM** Evans  
**8:10:05 AM** Kevin O'Reilly, Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America  
**8:10:54 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:10:59 AM** Shook  
**8:11:21 AM** Evans  
**8:12:35 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:13:03 AM** Sen. Martha Schrader, Senate district 20  
**8:15:29 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:16:06 AM** Vice-Chair Kruse  
**8:16:13 AM** Sen. Schrader  
**8:16:27 AM** SB 98 - Work Session  
**8:16:30 AM** MOTION: Sen. Kruse moves SB 98 DO PASS  
**8:16:36 AM** VOTE: 4-0-1  
**8:16:37 AM** Ayes: Morrisette, Morse, Kruse, Monnes Anderson; Excused: Bates  
**8:16:42 AM** CARRIER: SEN. SCHRADER will lead discussion on the floor  
**8:17:19 AM** SJM 1 - Public Hearing  
**8:18:25 AM** Paul Evans, Chair, Governor's Task Force on Veterans' Services  
**8:20:07 AM** Jim Willis, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs  
**8:20:07 AM** {Exhibit} 4: Willis  
**8:22:46 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:23:07 AM** Willis  
**8:25:54 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:26:44 AM** Vice-Chair Kruse  
**8:26:46 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:26:52 AM** Vice-Chair Kruse  
**8:27:19 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**8:27:26 AM** SJM 2 - Public Hearing  
**8:27:35 AM** Robert Shook, Committee Administrator  
**8:27:51 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson

8:28:15 AM Paul Evans, Chair, Governor's Task Force on Veterans' Affairs  
8:29:21 AM Jim Willis, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs  
8:29:24 AM {Exhibit} 5: Willis  
8:30:04 AM Kevin O'Reilly, Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America  
8:31:14 AM Bob Plame, Task Force  
8:32:33 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
8:32:35 AM Vice-Chair Kruse  
8:33:25 AM Sen. Bates  
8:34:58 AM Willis  
8:35:42 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
8:35:58 AM SJM 3 - Public Hearing  
8:36:05 AM Robert Shook, Committee Administrator  
8:37:35 AM Paul Evans, Chair, Governor's Task Force on Veterans' Services  
8:40:27 AM Jim Willis, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs  
8:40:27 AM {Exhibit} 6: Willis  
8:41:37 AM Kevin O'Reilly, Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America  
8:42:44 AM Sen. Morrisette  
8:43:44 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
8:45:01 AM Sen. Morrisette  
8:46:06 AM Evans  
8:48:47 AM O'Reilly  
8:49:11 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
8:49:29 AM Bob Plame, Task Force  
8:50:16 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
8:50:26 AM Willis  
8:56:34 AM Sen. Morrisette  
8:56:57 AM Willis  
8:57:36 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
8:57:50 AM Evans  
9:05:30 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
9:05:45 AM SJM 4 - Public Hearing  
9:05:51 AM Robert Shook, Committee Administrator  
9:06:11 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
9:06:19 AM Paul Evans, Chair, Governor's Task Force on Veterans' Affairs  
9:06:38 AM Wayne Harvey, President, Retired Enlisted Association Oregon  
9:09:56 AM Bert Key, Sandy Resident  
9:09:56 AM {Exhibit} 7: Key  
9:13:23 AM Kevin O'Reilly, Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America  
9:14:13 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
9:14:53 AM SB 400 - Public Hearing  
9:14:56 AM Robert Shook, Committee Administrator  
9:15:17 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
9:15:21 AM Vice-Chair Kruse  
9:15:50 AM Kevin O'Reilly, Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America  
9:16:56 AM Chair Monnes Anderson  
9:17:15 AM Vice-Chair Kruse

**9:17:18 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:17:23 AM** Curt Melcher, Deputy Director, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**9:17:41 AM** {Exhibit} 8: Melcher  
**9:19:15 AM** Vice-Chair Kruse  
**9:19:36 AM** Melcher  
**9:19:52 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:20:20 AM** O'Reilly  
**9:20:25 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:20:50 AM** Vice-Chair Kruse  
**9:20:59 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:21:06 AM** SB 379 - Public Hearing  
**9:21:08 AM** Robert Shook, Committee Administrator  
**9:21:35 AM** Brian DeLashmutt, Oregon Nurses Association  
**9:26:55 AM** Vice-Chair Kruse  
**9:27:47 AM** DeLashmutt  
**9:28:30 AM** Vice-Chair Kruse  
**9:29:00 AM** DeLashmutt  
**9:29:05 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:30:13 AM** Sen. Morrisette  
**9:33:11 AM** Deborah Turner, Certified Surgical Technologists, Certified First Assistant  
**9:33:11 AM** {Exhibit} 9: Turner  
**9:36:59 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:37:30 AM** Sarah Breckenridge  
**9:39:22 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:39:32 AM** Breckenridge  
**9:41:25 AM** Breckenridge  
**9:41:48 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:41:56 AM** Turner  
**9:42:35 AM** Sen. Morse  
**9:42:45 AM** Sen. Morrisette  
**9:44:22 AM** Gwen Dayton, Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems  
**9:48:26 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:48:48 AM** Dayton  
**9:49:33 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:50:09 AM** Dayton  
**9:50:55 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:51:11 AM** Dayton  
**9:51:47 AM** Grant Higginson, Administrator, Office of Community Health and Health Planning, Public Health Division, Oregon Department of Human Services  
**9:51:49 AM** {Exhibit} 10: Higginson  
**9:56:04 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson  
**9:56:29 AM** Vice-Chair Kruse

**9:56:44 AM** Chair Monnes Anderson

**9:56:54 AM** The following written testimony was submitted for the record without public testimony:

**9:56:54 AM** {Exhibit} 11: Nellie deVries, Public Affairs, Oregon War Veterans Association

**9:56:55 AM** Meeting Adjourned

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- 8:04:00 AM** {Exhibit} 1: SB 98, George Washington quotation, Paul Evans, 1 p  
**8:04:45 AM** {Exhibit} 2: SB 98, Task Force on Veterans' Services PowerPoint, Paul Evans, 24 pp  
**8:06:52 AM** {Exhibit} 3: SB 98, written testimony, Jim Willis, 1 p  
**8:20:07 AM** {Exhibit} 4: SJM 1, written testimony, Jim Willis, 1 p  
**8:29:24 AM** {Exhibit} 5: SJM 2, written testimony, Jim Willis, 2 pp  
**8:40:27 AM** {Exhibit} 6: SJM 3, written testimony, Jim Willis, 1 p  
**9:09:56 AM** {Exhibit} 7: SJM 4, written testimony, Bert Key, 3 pp  
**9:17:41 AM** {Exhibit} 8: SB 400, written testimony, Curt Melcher, 1 p  
**9:33:11 AM** {Exhibit} 9: SB 379, written testimony, Deborah Turner, 12 pp  
**9:51:49 AM** {Exhibit} 10: SB 379, written testimony, Grant Higginson, 2 pp  
**9:56:54 AM** {Exhibit} 11: SB 98, written testimony, Nellie deVries, 1 p
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