

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

April 26, 2011
1:00 PM

Hearing Room D

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Sal Esquivel, Co-Chair
Rep. Brad Witt, Co-Chair
Rep. Greg Matthews, Co-Vice Chair
Rep. Julie Parrish, Co-Vice Chair
Rep. Deborah Boone
Rep. John Huffman

STAFF PRESENT: Jill Petty, Committee Administrator
Cynthia Scott, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD: SJM 1 – Work Session
SB 809 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 275 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 338A – Public Hearing

Recording Log

1:06:46 PM Meeting Called to Order by Co-Chair Esquivel

1:07:04 PM **SJM 1A-Work Session**

1:07:09 PM {Exhibit} 1: Jill Petty, Committee Administrator

1:07:40 PM Co-Chair Esquivel

1:07:53 PM MOTION: Co-Chair Witt moves to adopt the -2 amendments

1:08:00 PM Co-Chair Esquivel

1:08:25 PM VOTE: 5-0-1

1:08:26 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Matthews, Witt, Esquivel; EXCUSED: Parrish

1:08:33 PM MOTION: Co-Chair Witt moves SJM 1A Be Adopted as amended

1:08:45 PM Co-Chair Esquivel

1:08:58 PM VOTE: 5-0-1

1:08:59 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Matthews, Witt, Esquivel; EXCUSED: Parrish

1:09:04 PM CARRIER: REP. MATTHEWS will lead discussion on the floor

1:09:20 PM **SB 809-Public Hearing**

1:09:25 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator

1:09:34 PM Co-Chair Esquivel

1:10:50 PM Steve Holgate, Portland, Oregon

1:13:46 PM {Exhibit} 2-3: Steve Betschart, Commander, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Reserve

1:18:48 PM {Exhibit} 4: Janice Williamson, Chairwoman, Marion County Republican

Central Committee
1:22:56 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:24:29 PM {Exhibit} 5: Greg Leo, Aurora, Oregon
1:29:07 PM Mark Stevens, Commander, Cornel Edward D. Baker Camp, Sons of Union Veterans
1:31:58 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:31:58 PM The following written testimony is submitted for the record without public testimony:
1:31:59 PM {Exhibit} 6: K.C. Piccard-Krone, immediate past president of the Friends of History (FOH), Portland State University

1:32:40 PM **SB 809-Work Session**
1:32:52 PM MOTION: Co-Chair Witt moves SB 809 Do Pass
1:33:00 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:33:13 PM VOTE: 6-0-0
1:33:14 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Matthews, Parrish, Witt, Esquivel
1:33:30 PM CARRIER: REP. HUFFMAN will lead discussion on the floor
1:33:34 PM Rep. Huffman
1:33:41 PM Co-Chair Esquivel

1:33:52 PM **SB 275-Public Hearing**
1:33:57 PM {Exhibit} 7: Jill Petty, Committee Administrator
1:34:52 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:35:16 PM {Exhibit} 8: Jim Willis, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs
1:38:38 PM John Wykoff, Legislative Director, Oregon Community College Association
1:40:18 PM Laura Carpenter, student, Portland Community College; veteran of Afghanistan & Iraq wars
1:43:04 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:43:05 PM Rep. Huffman
1:44:55 PM Wykoff
1:45:12 PM Rep. Huffman
1:45:46 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
1:46:07 PM Willis
1:46:17 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:46:50 PM Carpenter
1:48:24 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:48:27 PM Carpenter
1:48:31 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:48:32 PM Rep. Boone
1:50:46 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:51:13 PM {Exhibit} 9: Emma Kallaway, Legislative Director, Oregon Student Association
1:53:21 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:53:55 PM Kallaway
1:53:58 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:54:21 PM Carrissa Caldwell, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Community

Colleges and Workforce Development

1:54:30 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:54:45 PM Caldwell
1:55:29 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:55:38 PM Caldwell
1:56:44 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:56:46 PM Caldwell
1:57:05 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
1:57:10 PM Rep. Huffman
1:58:12 PM Caldwell
1:58:44 PM Rep. Huffman
1:59:48 PM Caldwell
1:59:50 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:59:52 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:01:28 PM Caldwell
2:01:55 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:02:26 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:02:27 PM Rep. Huffman
2:02:37 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:02:42 PM Rep. Huffman
2:03:32 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:03:33 PM Rep. Huffman
2:04:04 PM Caldwell
2:04:39 PM Rep. Huffman
2:04:40 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:04:52 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:05:20 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:05:46 PM Co-Chair Witt

2:06:38 PM **SB 275-Work Session**
2:06:56 PM MOTION: Co-Chair Matthews moves to adopt the -1 amendments
2:07:00 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:07:14 PM VOTE: 5-0-1
2:07:15 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Matthews, Parrish, Witt; EXCUSED: Esquivel

2:07:35 PM **SB 338A-Public Hearing**
2:07:41 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator
2:08:20 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:09:06 PM {Exhibit} 10: Robert Thornhill, Beaverton, Oregon
2:12:41 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:12:46 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:13:13 PM Thornhill
2:13:15 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:13:20 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:13:49 PM Thornhill
2:15:14 PM Co-Chair Witt

2:15:54 PM Thornhill
2:15:57 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:16:25 PM Mac MacDonald, United Veterans of Oregon
2:17:24 PM {Exhibit} 11: Andy Smith, Legislative Aid, Senator Hass
2:19:12 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:19:13 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:19:54 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:20:15 PM Smith
2:20:33 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:20:45 PM MacDonald
2:21:07 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:21:13 PM MacDonald
2:21:20 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:21:30 PM MacDonald
2:21:42 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:21:47 PM MacDonald
2:21:49 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:21:57 PM MacDonald
2:21:57 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:22:01 PM Rep. Boone
2:22:20 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:22:48 PM John Wykoff, Legislative Director, Oregon Community College Association
2:30:34 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:30:36 PM John Turner, President, Blue Mountain Community College
2:33:59 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:34:03 PM Rep. Huffman
2:34:28 PM Wykoff
2:34:58 PM Rep. Huffman
2:35:04 PM Wykoff
2:35:27 PM Rep. Huffman
2:36:03 PM Wykoff
2:36:51 PM Rep. Huffman
2:39:14 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:39:17 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:39:35 PM Turner
2:39:36 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:40:03 PM Turner
2:41:02 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:41:05 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:41:09 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:42:13 PM Wykoff
2:42:37 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:42:43 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:42:55 PM Wykoff
2:43:14 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:43:15 PM Wykoff

2:43:18 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:43:51 PM Turner
2:44:05 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:44:31 PM {Exhibit} 12: Jim Willis, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs
2:46:04 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:46:29 PM Meeting Adjourned by Co-Chair Esquivel

Exhibit Summary

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