SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

March 29, 2011 Hearing Room B

3:00PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Lee Beyer, Chair

Sen. Jason Atkinson, Vice-Chair

Sen. Chris Edwards Sen. Ginny Burdick Sen. Bruce Starr Sen. Fred Girod

STAFF PRESENT: Richard Berger, Committee Administrator

Carolyn Stoffregen, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD: Measure Introduction – Work Session

SB 904 – Public Hearing SB 935 – Public Hearing SB 788 – Public Hearing SB 789 – Public Hearing SB 790 – Public Hearing HB 2159 – Public Hearing

Recording Log

3:02:50 PM Meeting Called to Order by Chair Beyer

3:03:53 PM Chair Beyer

3:04:20 PM Introduction of Committee Measures - Work Session

3:04:25 PM {Exhibit} 1: Chair Beyer

3:04:28 PM MOTION: Chair Beyer moves LC 3997 be Introduced as a Committee Bill

3:04:33 PM Chair Beyer **3:04:37 PM** VOTE: 5-0-1

3:04:37 PM AYES: Burdick, Girod, Starr, Atkinson, Beyer; EXCUSED: Edwards

3:04:47 PM Chair Beyer

3:05:07 PM SB 904 - Public Hearing

3:05:12 PM Richard Berger, Committee Administrator

3:05:34 PM The following written testimony was submitted for the record without public

testimony:

3:05:34 PM {Exhibit} 2: Fred Netter, President, Aurora Rural Fire Protection District

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Redevelopment Agencies

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3:06:26 PM Mark Landauer, Special Districts Association of Oregon

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3:09:49 PM Michael Novak, League of Oregon Cities **3:11:16 PM** Chair Beyer 3:11:18 PM {Exhibit} 4: Mitch Swecker, Interim Director, Oregon Department of Aviation **3:11:31 PM** Chair Bever 3:11:33 PM Swecker **3:11:35 PM** Chair Beyer 3:12:06 PM {Exhibit} 5: Gary Oxley, Oxley & Associates 3:13:23 PM Aron Faegre, Oregon Aviation Business Association 3:17:43 PM Chair Beyer 3:18:16 PM Ted Millar, owner, Southend Airpark, Aurora Airport **3:19:08 PM** Chair Beyer 3:19:13 PM {Exhibit} 6: Jerry Dale, President, Sportsman Airpark, Inc. 3:20:07 PM Chair Beyer 3:20:09 PM Ed Freeman, resident, Columbia County 3:21:11 PM Chair Beyer **3:21:15 PM** Vice-Chair Atkinson 3:21:21 PM Dale 3:21:23 PM Vice-Chair Atkinson 3:21:31 PM Dale **3:21:34 PM** Vice-Chair Atkinson **3:21:38 PM** Chair Beyer 3:21:53 PM SB 935 - Public Hearing 3:21:54 PM Chair Bever 3:22:09 PM {Exhibit} 7: Sen. Richard Devlin, Senate District 19 3:27:07 PM Chair Beyer **3:27:34 PM** Todd Trierweiler, attorney, Todd Trierweiler & Associates **3:29:21 PM** Chair Beyer 3:29:22 PM {Exhibit} 8: Aaron Rabiroff, attorney, Olsen and Daines **3:31:16 PM** Chair Beyer 3:31:36 PM SB 788, SB 789, SB 790, HB 2159 - Public Hearing **3:31:45 PM** {Exhibit} 9-13: Chair Beyer 3:32:24 PM {Exhibit} 14: Lisa Hanson, Deputy Director, Oregon Department of Agriculture 3:35:41 PM Chair Beyer **3:35:50 PM** Jim Cramer, Administrator, Oregon Department of Agriculture **3:36:02 PM** Chair Beyer 3:36:09 PM Cramer **3:36:17 PM** Chair Beyer 3:36:20 PM Hanson **3:36:54 PM** Chair Bever 3:37:00 PM Sen. Starr 3:37:26 PM Hanson 3:37:47 PM Sen. Starr

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           Association
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3:54:14 PM Chair Beyer
3:54:20 PM Roger Beyer, Oregon Seed Council
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4:05:43 PM Ronald Quiring, farmer, Polk County
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- 4:18:23 PM Chair Beyer
- **4:18:27 PM** {Exhibit} 15-17: Bill Merrigan, General Manager, Blue Mountain Seeds; member, Union County Seed Growers Association
- **4:21:27 PM** Chair Beyer
- 4:21:54 PM Matt Crocker, President, Oregon Grass Seed Bargaining Association
- 4:26:45 PM Chair Beyer
- 4:26:49 PM Katie Fast, Oregon Farm Bureau Federation
- 4:29:22 PM Vice-Chair Atkinson
- 4:29:25 PM Sen. Girod
- 4:29:33 PM Fast
- 4:30:49 PM Vice-Chair Atkinson
- **4:31:07 PM** {Exhibit} 18-21: Bill Dunn, Executive Vice President, Seed Research of Oregon; President, Oregon Seed Trade Association
- 4:37:30 PM Chair Beyer
- **4:37:38 PM** {Exhibit} 22-25: Larry Dean, President, Oregon Seed Services, Inc.
- 4:42:16 PM Vice-Chair Atkinson
- 4:42:28 PM Dean
- 4:43:30 PM Chair Beyer
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- **4:50:01 PM** Chair Beyer
- 4:50:42 PM {Exhibit} 26-27: Nick Bowers, farmer, Linn County
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- 4:51:36 PM Eric Bowers, farmer, Linn County
- 4:53:30 PM Ralph Fisher, farmer, Marion County
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4:58:32 PM Sen. Girod **4:58:53 PM** Bowers, E. 4:59:03 PM Bowers, N. 4:59:12 PM Fisher **4:59:37 PM** Chair Bever 5:00:10 PM {Exhibit} 28-30: Gary Vachter, owner, GH Farms; member, Oregon Grass Seed Association 5:07:43 PM Chair Beyer 5:07:44 PM Vachter 5:07:48 PM Chair Beyer **5:07:52 PM** Betty Marguth, farmer, Southern Willamette Valley 5:11:45 PM Chair Beyer 5:11:47 PM {Exhibit} 31: Brenda Kirsch, farmer, Marion County 5:13:34 PM Chair Beyer **5:13:56 PM** {Exhibit} 32-33: Mike Baker, Senior Vice President, General Manager, Pennington Seed, Inc. **5:17:20 PM** Chair Beyer 5:17:23 PM John Albert, council, Grass Seed Bargaining Association **5:24:03 PM** Chair Beyer **5:24:07 PM** Troy Hadley, farmer, Marion County **5:25:34 PM** Chair Beyer 5:25:57 PM Harry Stalford, farmer, Linn County **5:26:16 PM** Chair Beyer 5:26:20 PM Stalford **5:26:39 PM** {Exhibit} 34-36: George Pugh, President, Pugh Seed Farm **5:31:20 PM** Chair Beyer 5:31:22 PM {Exhibit} 37-38: Brent Bolton, Director, Global Grass Seed, The Scotts Company LLC **5:35:26 PM** Chair Beyer 5:35:52 PM Steve Tubbs, Turf Works, Inc. 5:36:42 PM Chair Beyer **5:36:46 PM** Brett Freeborn, Mountain View Seeds **5:40:39 PM** Chair Beyer 5:40:42 PM Bruce McKee, farmer, Polk and Yamhill Counties **5:44:12 PM** Chair Beyer **5:44:37 PM** {Exhibit} 39: Pat McClain, Oregon Seed Trade Association 5:44:39 PM Chair Beyer **5:44:49 PM** McClain **5:48:27 PM** Chair Beyer **5:48:39 PM** Berger **5:48:44 PM** The following written testimony was submitted for the record without public testimony: **5:48:45 PM** {Exhibit} 40-43: Jerry Hall, President, Grassland Oregon, Inc. **5:48:52 PM** {Exhibit} 44-46: Neils Jensen, Neils Jensen Farms, Inc.

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