

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
WORKFORCE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

February 9, 2016  
01:00 PM

Hearing Room C

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sen. Michael Dembrow, Chair  
Sen. Kim Thatcher, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Diane Rosenbaum  
Sen. Tim Knopp  
Sen. Sara Gelser

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jan Nordlund, Committee Administrator  
Ashley Clark, Committee Assistant

**EXHIBITS:** Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** SB 1579 – Public Hearing and Work Session  
SB 1526 – Public Hearing and Work Session

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**00:00:20** Meeting Called to Order  
**00:00:21** Chair Dembrow

**00:01:26** **SB 1579 - Public Hearing**  
**00:01:32** Chair Dembrow  
**00:01:43** Jan Nordlund, Committee Administrator  
**00:02:05** Sen. Doug Whitsett, Senate District 28  
**00:07:41** EXHIBIT 1: Sen. Peter Courtney, Senate District 11  
**00:12:56** Nathan Rietmann, Rietmann & Rietmann LLP  
**00:15:21** Sen. Gelser  
**00:17:53** Sen. Rosenbaum  
**00:21:24** MaryAnne Nash, Oregon Farm Bureau  
**00:22:40** EXHIBIT 2: Judith Giers, Deputy Chief Counsel, Chief Counsel's Office,  
Department of Justice (DOJ)  
**00:32:20** Paul Garrahan, Special Counsel, Attorney General for the Environment  
and Natural Resources, DOJ  
**00:40:35** Vice-Chair Thatcher  
**00:45:29** EXHIBIT 3: Witness Registration

**00:45:30**      **SB 1579 - Work Session**  
**00:45:31**      Chair Dembrow

**00:45:54**      **SB 1526 - Public Hearing**  
**00:45:55**      Chair Dembrow  
**00:46:10**      Jan Nordlund, Committee Administrator  
**00:46:30**      Sen. Herman Baertschiger, Senate District 2  
**00:50:24**      EXHIBIT 4: Rep. Paul Evans, House District 20  
**00:58:46**      EXHIBIT 5: Loretta Smith, Commissioner, Multnomah County District 2  
**01:02:52**      EXHIBIT 6: Andrew McGough, Executive Director, Worksystems Portland  
Metro Workforce Development Board  
**01:08:47**      Joe McFerrin, CEO, Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center  
**01:17:53**      Ken Madden, Chair, Oregon Workforce Investment Board  
**01:20:03**      Kristina Payne, Executive Director, Lane Workforce Partnership  
**01:29:40**      Tim Cowan, Citizen's Lobbyist  
**01:31:05**      EXHIBIT 7: Witness Registration

**01:31:23**      **SB 1526 - Work Session**  
**01:31:24**      Chair Dembrow  
**01:31:38**      MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES SB 1526 DO PASS AND BE  
REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS BY  
PRIOR REFERENCE  
**01:32:17**      VOTE: 5-0-0  
AYES: GELSER, KNOPP, ROSENBAUM, THATCHER, DEMBROW  
**01:33:55**      Meeting Adjourned