

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON WORKFORCE

March 8, 2017  
03:00 PM

Hearing Room A

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sen. Kathleen Taylor, Chair  
Sen. Tim Knopp, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Sara Gelser  
Sen. Bill Hansell  
Sen. Laurie Monnes Anderson

**STAFF PRESENT:** Debra Maryanov, LPRO Analyst  
Debbie Malone, Committee Assistant

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

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** SB 298 – Work Session  
SB 398 – Public Hearing  
SB 779 – Public Hearing  
SB 294 – Public Hearing  
SB 780 – Public Hearing

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00:00:13 Meeting Called to Order  
00:00:13 Chair Taylor

00:01:14 **SB 298 - Work Session**  
00:01:20 Debra Maryanov, LPRO Analyst  
00:01:50 Chair Taylor  
00:02:08 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR KNOPP MOVES SB 298 DO PASS AND BE  
REFERRED TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY BY PRIOR  
REFERENCE  
00:02:37 VOTE: 5-0-0 (See time stamp **02:12:38**)  
AYES: MONNES ANDERSON, KNOPP, TAYLOR  
EXCUSED: GELSER, HANSELL

00:03:17 **SB 398 - Public Hearing**  
00:03:24 Debra Maryanov, LPRO Analyst  
00:04:25 Sen. Elizabeth Steiner Hayward, Senate District 17  
00:09:42 Sen. Monnes Anderson  
00:10:35 EXHIBIT 1: Beverly Stein, Oregon Business Council  
00:13:10 EXHIBIT 2: Jessica Daly, member, Oregon Business Council's Poverty  
Task Force

00:15:36 Vice-Chair Knopp  
00:16:27 Chair Taylor  
00:16:48 EXHIBIT 3: Phillip Kennedy-Wong, Oregon Food Bank  
00:18:08 EXHIBIT 4: Matt Newell-Ching, Public Affairs Director, Partners for a  
Hunger Free Oregon  
00:19:47 John Mullin, Legislative Advocate, Oregon Law Center  
00:21:16 EXHIBIT 5: witness registration  
00:21:17 The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:  
EXHIBIT 6: Daniel Hauser, Policy Analyst, Oregon Center for Public Policy

00:21:20 **SB 779 - Public Hearing**  
00:21:25 Debra Maryanov, LPRO Analyst  
00:22:37 Anthony Smith, Oregon State Director, National Federation of  
Independent Business  
00:25:02 EXHIBIT 7: Molly McCarger, owner, Pearmine Farms  
00:28:59 Jon Iverson, owner, Iverson Farms  
00:30:59 EXHIBIT 8: Kate Newhall, Family Forward Action, Family Forward OR  
00:35:34 Sen. Gelser  
00:40:07 Sen. Hansell  
00:41:19 Sen. Monnes Anderson  
00:41:52 Chair Taylor  
00:48:04 EXHIBITS 9-10: Paloma Sparks, Legislative Director, Bureau of Labor and  
Industries  
00:50:25 EXHIBIT 11: Matt Swanson, Service Employees International Union  
00:52:49 Ramon Ramirez, President, Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste,  
(PCUN)  
00:57:03 EXHIBITS 12-14: Jennifer Dresler, Director, State Public Policy, Oregon  
Farm Bureau Federation  
01:01:35 Terry Cowart, owner, Lebanon Auction Yard  
01:06:18 Jim Geisinger, Association of Oregon Loggers  
01:07:42 Iris Hodge, Main Street Alliance  
01:08:59 Emily Mclain, Campaign/Research Consultant;, Oregon Education  
Association  
01:11:07 EXHIBIT 15: witness registration  
01:11:10 The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:  
EXHIBIT 16: Christine Saunders, Coalition Coordinator, Fair Shot for All  
EXHIBIT 17: D. Michael Dale, Executive Director, Northwest Workers'  
Justice Project  
EXHIBIT 18: Graham Trainor, American Federation of Labor and Congress  
of Industrial Organizations  
EXHIBIT 19: Kevin Billman, Director, Legislative and Community Action,  
United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 555  
EXHIBIT 20: Marcus Swift, Director, Political and Legislative  
Affairs, American Federation of Teachers  
EXHIBIT 21: Mark Dickman, owner, Dickman Farms, Inc.  
EXHIBIT 22: Nathan Rice, owner, Benjamin Orchards Inc.

EXHIBIT 23: Wesley Miller, owner, WTM Farms  
EXHIBIT 24: Brian Huserik, owner, Huserik Bros. Nursery Inc.

01:11:11 **SB 294 - Public Hearing**  
01:11:19 Debra Maryanov, LPRO Analyst  
01:12:03 Chair Taylor  
01:12:47 EXHIBITS 25-28: Tyler Shipman, Government Relations Specialist,  
Oregon School Employees Association  
01:18:29 Sarah Drescher, Legal Counsel, Oregon School Employees Association  
01:24:14 Jared Mason-Gere, Government Relations Consultant, Oregon Education  
Association  
01:27:27 Lori Sattenspiel, Interim Director, Legislative Services, Oregon School  
Board Association  
01:30:44 Sen. Gelser  
01:33:01 Angie Peterman, Executive Director, Oregon Association of School  
Business Officials  
01:35:56 Brad Earl, Chief Operations Officer, Medford School District  
01:39:34 EXHIBIT 29: witness registration  
01:39:35 The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:  
EXHIBIT 30: Marcus Swift, Director, Political and Legislative Affairs,  
American Federation of Teachers

01:40:06 **SB 780 - Public Hearing**  
01:40:09 Debra Maryanov, LPRO Analyst  
01:41:07 Sen. Lee Beyer, Senate District 6  
01:49:25 EXHIBIT 31: Arthur Towers, Political Director, Oregon Trial Lawyers  
Association  
01:53:31 EXHIBIT 32: Sheri Sundstrom, Insurance Claims Manager, Hoffman  
Construction  
01:57:20 EXHIBIT 33: Hasina Squires, Independent Medical Examination  
Association  
02:02:36 Sen. Hansell  
02:03:16 EXHIBIT 34: Lou Savage, Administrator, Workers' Compensation Division  
02:06:08 EXHIBIT 35: witness registration  
02:06:09 The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:  
EXHIBIT 36: Bill Cross & Nellie deVries, Oregon Self-Insurers Association  
EXHIBIT 37: David Barenberg, Government Relations Director, State  
Accident Insurance Fund Corporation

02:06:21 **SB 298 - Work Session**  
02:06:28 MOTION: SEN. GELSER MOVES TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO  
ALLOW SEN. GELSER AND SEN. HANSELL TO VOTE: AYE ON SB 298  
02:06:38 Chair Taylor  
02:07:04 VOTE: 4-0-1  
AYES: GELSER, HANSELL, MONNES ANDERSON, TAYLOR  
EXCUSED: KNOPP  
02:08:27 Meeting Adjourned