

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

February 22, 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: HB 2402-Public Hearing
HB 2243-Public Hearing
HB 2919-Public Hearing
HB 2578-Work Session
HB 2638-Work Session

Recording Log

1:06:58 PM Meeting Called to Order by Co-Chair Witt

1:08:44 PM **HB 2402 - Public Hearing**

1:08:55 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator

1:09:06 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:09:34 PM {Exhibit} 1: HB 2402, Mike Burton, Chair, Legislative Task Force on Veterans' Reintegration

1:17:09 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:17:20 PM {Exhibit} 2: HB 2402, Dave Cooley, Manager, Campus Veteran Service Officer Program, Oregon Department Veterans' Affairs

1:22:43 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:22:45 PM {Exhibit} 3: Gus Bedwell, Accredited Campus Veterans' Service Officer, Oregon Department Veterans' Affairs

1:27:18 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:27:21 PM Rep. Huffman

1:28:33 PM Bedwell

1:29:34 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:29:39 PM Co-Vice Chair Parrish

1:30:30 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:30:46 PM Cooley

1:31:39 PM Burton

1:32:43 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:33:45 PM Mac McDonald, Represents United Veterans of Oregon
1:37:31 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:38:28 PM {Exhibit} 4: Bruce Clemetsen, Vice President for Student Services, Linn Benton Community College
1:40:34 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:40:41 PM Ben Price, Director, Associated Students of OSU Veteran Task Force
1:43:34 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:43:39 PM Corey Rae, Director of Veterans and Family Student Association, Oregon State
1:45:30 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:45:34 PM Rep. Boone
1:46:52 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:46:53 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
1:47:38 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:47:50 PM Rae
1:48:13 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:48:43 PM Joe Holliday, Oregon University System
1:49:00 PM Paul Evans, private citizen, Monmouth, Oregon
1:51:57 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:52:06 PM Rep. Boone
1:52:35 PM Evans
1:52:43 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:52:45 PM Rep. Huffman
1:52:56 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:53:05 PM Evans
1:53:17 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:53:21 PM Holliday
1:54:31 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:55:00 PM Blake Gordon, Past President, Veteran and Family Student Association, Oregon State University
1:58:04 PM Co-Chair Witt
1:58:07 PM {Exhibit} 5: Maria Ballard, Team Leader, Student Ambassador, Linn Benton Community College
2:01:02 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:01:11 PM Rep. Boone
2:01:14 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:01:19 PM Rep. Boone
2:02:03 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:02:05 PM The following written testimony is submitted for the record without public testimony:
2:02:05 PM {Exhibit} 6: Tom Mann, Public Information Manager, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs
2:02:05 PM {Exhibit} 7-8: Robert H. Thornhill, Beaverton, Oregon
2:03:00 PM HB 2243 - Public Hearing

2:03:09 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator
2:03:28 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:03:33 PM Rep. Greg Matthews, House District 50
2:08:33 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:08:37 PM Rep. Huffman
2:09:24 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:11:21 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:11:28 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:12:35 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:12:38 PM Co-Vice Chair Parrish
2:14:37 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:15:58 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:16:22 PM Keith Dubanevich, Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Attorney General, Department of Justice
2:18:07 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:18:28 PM Kate Newhall, Legislative Director, Bureau of Labor and Industries
2:20:19 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:20:23 PM Co-Vice Chair Parrish
2:21:00 PM Newhall
2:21:43 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:21:44 PM Co-Vice Chair Parrish
2:22:27 PM Newhall
2:22:31 PM Co-Vice Chair Parrish
2:22:35 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:22:37 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:22:51 PM Newhall
2:23:39 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:23:44 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:24:10 PM Sean Riddell, Chief Council, Oregon Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Division
2:27:43 PM Co-Vice Chair Witt
2:27:47 PM Brigadier General Mike Caldwell, Deputy Director, Oregon Military Department
2:31:46 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:32:20 PM JL Wilson, Associated Oregon Industries
2:35:29 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:35:34 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:36:04 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:36:28 PM {Exhibit} 9: Val Conley, Administrator, Veterans' Services Division, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs
2:38:51 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:39:07 PM Conley
2:39:14 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:39:38 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
2:41:15 PM Co-Chair Witt

- 2:41:36 PM** **HB 2919-Public Hearing**
2:41:41 PM {Exhibit} 10: Val Conley, Administrator, Veterans' Services Division,
Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs
2:43:07 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:43:15 PM Conley
2:43:17 PM Co-Chair Witt
- 2:44:19 PM** **HB 2578 – Work Session**
2:44:30 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator
2:45:23 PM MOTION: Co-Chair Esquivel moves HB 2578 Do Pass and be referred to
Ways & Means by prior reference
2:45:32 PM Co- Chair Witt
2:45:49 PM Rep. Huffman
2:45:54 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:46:09 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:46:21 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:46:30 PM VOTE: 6-0-0
2:46:31 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Parrish, Matthews, Esquivel, Witt
- 2:47:04 PM** **HB 2638 - Work Session**
2:47:18 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator
2:47:35 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:47:47 PM Petty
2:48:01 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:48:10 PM Rep. Huffman
2:49:12 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:49:17 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:49:58 PM Rep. Huffman
2:50:00 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:50:19 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:50:57 PM MOTION: Co-Chair Esquivel moves HB 2638 Do Pass and be referred to
Ways & Means by prior reference
2:51:09 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:51:18 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:51:20 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:51:31 PM VOTE: 6-0-0
2:51:31 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Parrish, Matthews, Esquivel, Witt
2:51:46 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:52:40 PM MOTION: Co-Chair Esquivel moved the rules be suspended to allow Rep.
Matthews to vote on HB 2578
2:52:51 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:53:01 PM Co-Chair Esquivel
2:53:02 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:53:07 PM Rep. Huffman
2:53:08 PM VOTE: 6-0-0
2:53:08 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Parrish Matthews, Esquivel, Witt

2:53:18 PM Co-Chair Witt
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2:53:31 PM Co-Chair Witt
2:53:33 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews
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2:55:48 PM Meeting Adjourned by Co-Chair Witt

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