

## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

March 08, 2011  
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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 3391 – Public Hearing  
HB 3335 – Public Hearing  
HCR 16 – Public Hearing & Work Session  
HB 3391 – Public Hearing  
HB 3248 – Public Hearing  
HCR 15 – Public Hearing & Work Session  
SB 74 – Public Hearing & Work Session

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### Recording Log

**1:05:25 PM** Meeting Called to Order by Co-Chair Witt

**1:05:39 PM** HB 3391-Public Hearing

**1:06:03 PM** Co-Chair Esquivel

**1:06:22 PM** Co-Chair Witt

**1:06:41 PM** Jill Petty, Committee Administrator

**1:07:05 PM** {Exhibit} 1: Stacy Bannerman, wife of SFC (Ret.) Lorin Bannerman

**1:17:16 PM** Co-Chair Witt

**1:17:42 PM** Bannerman

**1:17:46 PM** Co-Chair Witt

**1:18:15 PM** Rep. Wally Hicks, House District 3

**1:20:28 PM** Co-Chair Witt

**1:20:48 PM** Rep. Hicks

**1:23:05 PM** Co-Chair Witt

**1:23:19 PM** Co-Chair Esquivel

**1:23:56 PM** Co-Chair Witt

1:23:57 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews  
1:24:48 PM Rep. Hicks  
1:25:10 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:25:22 PM Rep. Hicks  
1:25:23 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:26:06 PM **HB 3335-Public Hearing**

1:26:20 PM {Exhibit} 2: Rep. Jim Weidner, House District 24  
1:29:30 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:29:38 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews  
1:29:58 PM Rep. Weidner  
1:30:19 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:30:25 PM Rep. Weidner  
1:30:34 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:31:02 PM **HCR 16-Public Hearing**

1:31:12 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator  
1:31:22 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:31:43 PM Rep. Bill Kennemer, House District 39  
1:33:12 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:33:16 PM {Exhibit} 3: Trudy Reusser, widow of Colonel Kenneth L. Reusser  
1:33:28 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:33:32 PM Reusser  
1:36:12 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:36:22 PM Co-Vice Chair Parrish  
1:36:55 PM Reusser  
1:37:12 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:37:58 PM Bill Call, US Marine  
1:41:05 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:41:08 PM Mac MacDonald, United Veterans' of Oregon  
1:41:55 PM Co-Chair Witt

1:42:28 PM **HCR 16-Work Session**

1:42:40 PM MOTION: Co-Vice Chair Parrish moves HCR 16 Be Adopted  
1:42:50 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:43:02 PM Rep. Boone  
1:44:42 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:44:46 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews  
1:45:32 PM Co-Chair Witt  
1:45:49 PM VOTE: 6-0-0  
1:45:50 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Parrish, Matthews, Esquivel, Witt  
1:46:20 PM CARRIER: REP. BOONE AND REP. KENNEMER will lead discussion on the floor  
1:46:25 PM Rep. Boone  
1:46:26 PM Co-Chair Witt

**1:46:49 PM HB 3391-Public Hearing**

- 1:47:38 PM** Rev. Robert Biggs, State Chairman, Oregon State Grange Veterans' Committee  
**1:51:06 PM** {Exhibit} 4: Nathan Dorn, Viet Nam Veteran, and Vice Chairman, Veterans' Committee, Oregon State Grange  
**1:52:50 PM** Biggs  
**1:53:04 PM** Co-Chair Witt

**1:53:38 PM HB 3335-Public Hearing**

- 1:53:56 PM** Jill Petty, Committee Administrator  
**1:54:13 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**1:54:22 PM** Rev. Robert Biggs, State Chairman, Oregon State Grange, Veterans' Committee  
**1:55:56 PM** Nathan Dorn, Vice Chairman, Oregon State Grange, Veterans' Committee  
**1:55:59 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**1:56:01 PM** Dorn  
**1:58:38 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**1:59:00 PM** Dorn  
**1:59:03 PM** Biggs  
**1:59:05 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**1:59:29 PM** {Exhibit} 5: Tim Wood, Director, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department  
**2:01:19 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:01:38 PM** Mac MacDonald, United Veterans' of Oregon  
**2:02:56 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:03:03 PM** Co-Vice Chair Matthews  
**2:03:07 PM** Co-Chair Esquivel  
**2:03:53 PM** Co-Chair Witt

**2:04:45 PM HB 3248-Public Hearing**

- 2:04:48 PM** Rep. Julie Parrish, House District 37  
**2:08:12 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:08:20 PM** Co-Chair Esquivel  
**2:08:53 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:10:24 PM** Donna Herr, Family Readiness Support Assistant, 41st. Brigade  
**2:13:47 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:13:51 PM** {Exhibit} 6: Amanda Klassen, Volunteer Coordinator, Oregon National Guard, 1249th Engineer Battalion, wife of deployed soldier  
**2:19:55 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:20:06 PM** Jennifer Waggoner, military spouse, former Family Readiness Coordinator  
**2:25:51 PM** Megan Lulay, Family Readiness Support Assistant, 41st Brigade  
**2:28:34 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:28:54 PM** Rep. Boone  
**2:31:10 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:31:14 PM** Co-Vice Chair Matthews  
**2:31:15 PM** Rep. Boone  
**2:31:18 PM** Co-Chair Witt

2:31:19 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews  
2:32:43 PM Waggoner  
2:34:07 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:34:33 PM Co-Vice Chair Parrish  
2:35:21 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:35:51 PM Brigadier General Mike Caldwell, Deputy Director, Oregon Military  
Department  
2:40:26 PM Co-Chair Witt

2:41:15 PM **HCR 15-Public Hearing**

2:41:28 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator  
2:41:49 PM {Exhibit} 7: John Huddle, US Army Veteran  
2:46:16 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:46:22 PM Huddle  
2:46:23 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:46:29 PM Huddle  
2:46:55 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:47:20 PM Co-Vice Chair Matthews  
2:47:27 PM Huddle  
2:47:38 PM Co-Chair Witt

2:48:01 PM **HCR 15-Work Session**

2:48:03 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:48:09 PM MOTION: Co-Chair Esquivel moves to adopt HCR 15  
2:48:20 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:48:29 PM VOTE: 6-0-0  
2:48:29 PM AYES: Boone, Huffman, Parrish, Mathews, Esquivel, Witt  
2:48:35 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:48:46 PM Huddle  
2:48:48 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:48:51 PM Co-Chair Esquivel  
2:49:04 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:49:06 PM CARRIER: CO-CHAIR WITT will lead discussion on the floor

2:49:34 PM **SB 74-Public Hearing**

2:49:44 PM Jill Petty, Committee Administrator  
2:49:52 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:50:34 PM {Exhibit} 8: Jim Willis, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs  
2:53:23 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:53:41 PM Willis  
2:53:46 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:53:47 PM Willis  
2:53:49 PM Co-Chair Esquivel  
2:53:51 PM Co-Chair Witt  
2:54:34 PM Rev. Bob Biggs, State Chairman, Veterans' Committee, Oregon State  
Grange

**2:55:37 PM** Nathan Dorn, Vice Chairman, Veterans' Committee, Oregon State Grange  
**2:59:31 PM** Co- Chair Witt

**2:59:41 PM** **SB 74- Work Session**  
**2:59:43 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**2:59:50 PM** MOTION: Co-Chair Esquivel moves SB 74 Do Pass  
**2:59:55 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**3:00:00 PM** VOTE: 6-0-0  
**3:00:01 PM** AYES: Boone, Huffman, Parrish, Mathews, Esquivel, Witt  
**3:00:06 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**3:00:26 PM** CARRIER: CO-CHAIR ESQUIVEL will lead discussion on the floor  
**3:00:29 PM** Co-Chair Witt  
**3:00:29 PM** Co-Chair Esquivel  
**3:00:32 PM** Meeting Adjourned by Co-Chair Witt

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**Exhibit Summary**

**1:07:05 PM** {Exhibit} 1: HB 3391, written testimony, Stacy Bannerman, 3 pp  
**1:26:20 PM** {Exhibit} 2: HB 3335, written testimony, Rep. Weidner, 1 p  
**1:33:16 PM** {Exhibit} 3: HCR 16, photos & news clipping, Trudy Reusser, 3 pp  
**1:51:06 PM** {Exhibit} 4: HB 3391, written testimony, Nathan Dorn, 2 pp  
**1:59:29 PM** {Exhibit} 5: HB 3335, written testimony, Tim Wood, 2 pp  
**2:13:51 PM** {Exhibit} 6: HB 3248, written testimony, Amanda Klassen, 8 pp  
**2:41:49 PM** {Exhibit} 7: HCR 15, written testimony, John Huddle, 2 pp  
**2:50:34 PM** {Exhibit} 8: SB 74, written testimony, Jim Willis, 1 p

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