

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' SERVICES AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS**

February 14, 2013  
1:00 P.M.

Hearing Room E

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**           Rep. Greg Matthews, Chair  
                                  Rep. Shemia Fagan, Vice Chair  
                                  Rep. Julie Parrish, Vice Chair  
                                  Rep. Deborah Boone  
                                  Rep. Sal Esquivel  
                                  Rep. John Huffman  
                                  Rep. Brad Witt

**STAFF PRESENT:**             Elizabeth Edwards, Committee Administrator  
                                  Mike Reiley, Committee Assistant

**MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:** HCR 4 – Public Hearing and Work Session  
                                  HB 2680 – Public Hearing and Work Session  
                                  HB 2417 – Public Hearing

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**Recording Log**

**1:03:53 PM** Meeting Called to Order by Chair Matthews

**1:04:23 PM** **HCR 4 - Public Hearing**

**1:04:25 PM** Elizabeth Edwards, Committee Administrator

**1:05:11 PM** Chair Matthews

**1:06:08 PM** Anne Endicott, newspaper reporter, Gresham Outlook

**1:07:43 PM** Chair Matthews

**1:08:22 PM** Endicott

**1:09:17 PM** Chair Matthews

**1:10:59 PM** **HCR 4 - Work Session**

**1:11:06 PM** MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PARRISH MOVES HCR 4 BE ADOPTED

**1:11:19 PM** Rep. Esquivel

**1:12:30 PM** VOTE: 7-0-0

**1:12:33 PM** AYES: BOONE, ESQUIVEL, HUFFMAN, WITT, FAGAN, PARRISH,  
MATTHEWS

**1:12:39 PM** CARRIER: REP. MATTHEWS WILL LEAD DISCUSSION ON THE  
FLOOR

**1:13:03 PM** Chair Matthews

**1:13:11 PM** **HB 2680 - Public Hearing**

**1:13:16 PM** {Exhibit} 1 - 2: Elizabeth Edwards, Committee Administrator

1:14:31 PM Rep. Phil Barnhart, House District 11  
1:20:03 PM Sen. Betsy Close, Senate District 8  
1:20:40 PM Rep. Huffman  
1:24:19 PM Chair Matthews  
1:24:42 PM Vice-Chair Parrish  
1:25:19 PM Chair Matthews  
1:25:44 PM Roger Nyquist, Chair, Linn County Board of Commissioners  
1:27:24 PM Chair Matthews  
1:27:40 PM Tom Mann, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs  
1:30:14 PM Edward VanDyke, Acting Deputy Director, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs  
1:30:28 PM Chair Matthews  
1:31:25 PM VanDyke  
1:31:28 PM Bruce Shriver, Chief Financial Officer, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs  
1:32:40 PM Chair Matthews  
1:33:14 PM Rep. Esquivel  
1:33:24 PM Mann  
1:35:53 PM Rep. Esquivel  
1:36:11 PM Mann  
1:37:37 PM Chair Matthews  
1:37:56 PM Rep. Barnhart  
1:39:18 PM Rep. Huffman  
1:39:57 PM Mann  
1:43:05 PM Rep. Huffman  
1:43:40 PM Rep. Esquivel  
1:43:49 PM Rep. Huffman  
1:43:57 PM Rep. Esquivel  
1:44:59 PM Cameron Smith, Senior Military and Veterans' Affairs Policy Advisor, Office of Oregon Governor Kitzhaber  
1:46:53 PM Rep. Huffman  
1:47:39 PM Chair Matthews  
  
1:48:13 PM **HB 2680 - Work Session**  
1:48:24 PM MOTION: VICE-CHAIR FAGAN MOVES -2 AMENDMENTS  
1:48:45 PM VOTE: 7-0-0  
1:48:46 PM AYES: BOONE, ESQUIVEL, HUFFMAN, WITT, FAGAN, PARRISH, MATTHEWS  
1:48:56 PM MOTION: VICE-CHAIR FAGAN MOVES HB 2680 DO PASS AS AMENDED AND BE REFERRED TO WAYS & MEANS BY PRIOR REFERENCE  
1:49:56 PM Rep. Esquivel  
1:50:25 PM Vice-Chair Parrish  
1:50:44 PM Chair Matthews  
1:50:50 PM Rep. Witt  
1:51:18 PM VOTE: 7-0-0

1:51:21 PM AYES: BOONE, ESQUIVEL, HUFFMAN, WITT, FAGAN, PARRISH,  
MATTHEWS  
1:51:42 PM Meeting Recessed  
2:01:27 PM Meeting Reconvened  
  
2:02:54 PM **HB 2417 - Public Hearing**  
2:03:00 PM Elizabeth Edwards, Committee Administrator  
2:03:51 PM Rep. Gene Whisnant, House District 53  
2:05:47 PM Chair Matthews  
2:06:53 PM {Exhibit} 3 - 5: Ryan Fisher, Community Action Partnership of Oregon,  
Oregon Housing Authority; Housing Alliance  
  
2:12:12 PM Rep. Huffman  
2:12:33 PM Fisher  
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2:13:58 PM Rep. Huffman  
2:14:10 PM {Exhibit} 6: Chair Matthews  
2:14:16 PM Vice-Chair Fagan  
2:14:29 PM Fisher  
2:14:57 PM Vice-Chair Fagan  
2:15:30 PM Fisher  
2:16:03 PM Rep. Esquivel  
2:16:59 PM Fisher  
2:17:24 PM Rep. Esquivel  
2:18:09 PM Fisher  
2:18:14 PM Rep. Esquivel  
2:18:16 PM Fisher  
2:18:32 PM Rep. Esquivel  
2:18:34 PM Fisher  
2:18:45 PM Chair Matthews  
2:18:55 PM Val Valfre, Executive Director, Washington County Housing Authority  
2:23:20 PM {Exhibit} 7: Charles Hemingway, Co-Chair, Housing & Construction  
Committee, Central Oregon Veterans Outreach  
  
2:27:44 PM Rep. Huffman  
2:28:08 PM Hemingway  
2:29:21 PM Rep. Esquivel  
2:29:41 PM Valfre  
2:30:17 PM Chair Matthews  
2:34:29 PM Ken Kraft, Commander, VFW Post 1324  
2:36:30 PM Chair Matthews  
2:36:31 PM Kraft  
2:36:33 PM {Exhibit} 8: Martha Olmstead, case worker, Community Action Team -  
Columbia, Tillamook, Clatsop County  
  
2:39:35 PM Chair Matthews  
2:39:50 PM Olmstead  
2:40:04 PM Dawn Rogers, case worker, St. Vincent DePaul of Lane County; Army

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**2:42:42 PM** Chair Matthews  
**2:42:43 PM** Rep. Witt  
**2:43:43 PM** Chair Matthews  
**2:45:07 PM** Anne Williams, St. Vincent DePaul of Lane County  
**2:48:57 PM** Chair Matthews  
**2:48:59 PM** Williams  
**2:49:08 PM** Jim Moorefield, Executive Director, Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services  
**2:54:13 PM** Chair Matthews  
**2:54:18 PM** Cameron Smith, Senior Military and Veterans' Affairs Policy Advisor, Office of Oregon Governor Kitzhaber  
**2:56:43 PM** Chair Matthews  
**2:57:41 PM** Meeting Adjourned by Chair Matthews

### **Exhibit Summary**

**1:13:16 PM** {Exhibit} 1: HB 2680, -1 amendments, staff, 1 p  
**1:13:16 PM** {Exhibit} 2: HB 2680, -2 amendments, staff, 1 p  
**2:06:53 PM** {Exhibit} 3: HB 2417, written testimony, Ryan Fisher, 3 pp  
**2:06:53 PM** {Exhibit} 4: HB 2417, written testimony, Ryan Fisher, 1 p  
**2:06:53 PM** {Exhibit} 5: HB 2417, written testimony of Janet Byrd, Ryan Fisher, 1 p  
**2:14:10 PM** {Exhibit} 6: HB 2417, written testimony, Traci Manning, 1 p  
**2:23:20 PM** {Exhibit} 7: HB 2417, written testimony, Charles Hemingway, 2 pp  
**2:36:33 PM** {Exhibit} 8: HB 2417, written testimony, Martha Olmstead, 2 pp