

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON WORKFORCE

May 6, 2015  
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:** Matthew Germer, Committee Administrator  
Carrie Ward, Committee Assistant

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

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** HB 2007 A- Public Hearing  
HB 2600- Public Hearing

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00:00:11 Meeting Called to Order  
00:00:14 Chair Dembrow

00:00:41 **HB 2007 A - Public Hearing**  
00:00:43 Chair Dembrow  
00:00:48 Matthew Germer, Committee Administrator  
00:01:18 Rep. Jessica Vega Pederson, House District 47  
00:04:41 Sen. Diane Rosenbaum, Senate District 21  
00:09:35 Betsy Earls, Associated Oregon Industries  
00:13:11 Tim Bernasek, Farm Bureau  
00:21:03 EXHIBIT 1: Paloma Sparks, Legislative Director, Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries  
00:24:11 Trish Garner, American Association of University Women  
00:26:42 Sen. Knopp  
00:29:03 J.L. Wilson, Oregon State Chamber of Commerce  
00:33:18 Jan Meekoms, State Director, National Federation of Independent Business  
00:41:18 EXHIBIT 2: Kate Newhall, Family Forward Oregon  
00:44:09 EXHIBIT 3: Arthur Towers, Political Director, Oregon Trial Lawyers Association  
00:44:37 EXHIBIT 4: Witness Registration  
00:44:38 The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:  
EXHIBIT 5: Stephanie Vardavas, Chair, Oregon Commission for Women

00:44:40 **HB 2600 - Public Hearing**  
00:44:43 Matthew Germer, Committee Administrator  
00:44:55 Chair Dembrow

**00:45:21** Rep. Barbra Smith Warner, House District 45  
**00:48:28** Sen. Knopp  
**00:49:54** EXHIBIT 6: Kate Newhall, Family Forward Oregon  
**00:53:28** Tricia Smith, Oregon School Employees Association  
**00:55:20** Vice-Chair Thatcher  
**00:56:51** Betsy Earls, Associated Oregon Industries  
**01:00:19** Jan Meekcoms, State Director, National Federation of Independent Business  
**01:01:18** J.L. Wilson, Oregon State Chamber of Commerce  
**01:06:03** EXHIBIT 7: Witness Registration  
**01:06:08** The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:  
EXHIBIT 8: Daniel Meek, Oregon Progressive Party  
EXHIBIT 9: Stephanie Vardavas, Chair, Oregon Commission for Women  
**01:06:18** Meeting Adjourned