

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

January 23, 2023
03:00 PM

Hearing Room B

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin, Chair
Sen. Art Robinson, Vice-Chair
Sen. James Manning Jr.
Sen. Floyd Prozanski
Sen. Suzanne Weber

STAFF PRESENT: Iva Sokolovska, LPRO Analyst
Matthew Perreault, LPRO Analyst
Alexa Garay, Committee Assistant

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

MEASURES/ISSUES: SB 573 – Public Hearing
The Benefits Barrier: Stipends for Benefits Eligible
Participants of State Boards and Commissions -
Informational Meeting
SB 92 – Public Hearing
SB 420 – Public Hearing

00:00:41 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:42 Chair Gelser Blouin
00:01:15 Vice-Chair Robinson

00:02:02 **SB 573 - Public Hearing**
00:02:03 Chair Gelser Blouin
00:02:11 Iva Sokolovska, LPRO Analyst
00:03:22 Ann Weaver-Melendy, resident, Salem
00:07:49 Rachel Walaskay, resident, Salem
00:09:31 Sen. Manning Jr.
00:13:34 Gregory Luce, Founder, Adoptee Rights Law Center
00:18:02 Sen. Prozanski

00:25:22 **The Benefits Barrier: Stipends for Benefits Eligible Participants of
State Boards and Commissions - Informational Meeting**
00:25:23 Chair Gelser Blouin
00:26:38 Brandy Hemsley, Director, Office of Recovery and Resilience, Oregon
Health Authority

00:33:27 Claire Seguin, Interim Director, Self-Sufficiency Programs, Oregon
Department of Human Services

00:38:01 Leslie Sutton, Director, Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities

00:45:12 Daniel Alrick, Chair, Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities

00:48:14 **SB 92 - Public Hearing**

00:48:15 Chair Gelser Blouin

00:48:25 Iva Sokolovska, LPRO Analyst

00:48:52 Nicole Palmateer Hazelbaker, Oregon Association of Area Agencies on
Aging and Disabilities (O4AD)

00:53:11 Sen. Weber

00:54:42 **SB 420 - Public Hearing**

00:54:43 Chair Gelser Blouin

00:54:51 Iva Sokolovska, LPRO Analyst

00:56:26 Sen. Deb Patterson, Senate District 10

00:59:04 Sen. James Manning Jr., Senate District 7

01:01:39 Sen. Kathleen Taylor, Senate District 21

01:04:54 David Kracke, Oregon's Brain Injury Advocate Coordinator

01:07:58 David Nichols, traumatic brain injury survivor, Portland

01:13:22 Kathryn Nichols, caregiver, Portland

01:19:12 Heather Ackles, mental health therapist and brain injury survivor

01:22:27 Fern Wilgus, Vice President, Brain Injury Connections - Northwest

01:26:28 Jayesh Palshikar, registered nurse and brain injury survivor; Oregon
Nurses Association

01:31:48 Meeting Adjourned