

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDFIRE

February 8, 2024
08:00 AM

Hearing Room E

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Jeff Golden, Chair
Sen. Fred Girod, Vice-Chair
Sen. Floyd Prozanski
Sen. David Brock Smith
Sen. Kathleen Taylor

STAFF PRESENT: Laura Kentnesse, LPRO Analyst
Ben Goldberg, Committee Assistant

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

MEASURES/ISSUES: SB 1511 – Public Hearing
SB 1510 – Public Hearing
SB 1509 – Public Hearing
SB 1561 – Public Hearing

00:00:04 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:05 Chair Golden

00:00:31 [SB 1511 - Public Hearing](#)

00:00:32 Chair Golden

00:00:41 Laura Kentnesse, LPRO Analyst

00:05:23 Dave Hunnicutt, Chair, Wildfire Programs Advisory Council

00:07:11 Mary Kyle McCurdy, Vice-Chair, Wildfire Programs Advisory Council

00:10:06 Bob Horton, Senior Policy Director, Western Fire Chiefs Association;
former Fire Chief, Fire District 3, Jackson County

00:12:45 Branden Pursinger, Legislative Affairs Manager, Natural Resources and
Land Use, Association of Oregon Counties

00:14:47 Kyle Smith, Director, Government Relations, Oregon Chapter, The Nature
Conservancy

00:17:21 Ralph Bloemers, Director, Fire Safe Communities, Green Oregon Alliance

00:20:42 Carolyn Mayers, League of Women Voters of Oregon

00:23:16 Jim McCauley, Legislative Director, League of Oregon Cities

00:24:46 Dave Pickhardt, Managing Director, Oregon Fire Chiefs Association

00:25:05 Roger Johnson, Oregon Fire Chiefs Association; Fire Chief, Sisters-Camp
Sherman Fire District

00:27:59 Josie Koehne, small forest owner, Gaston

00:32:11 Claire McGrew, Chief Deputy, Oregon Department of State Fire Marshal

00:35:53 TK Keen, Administrator, Deputy Insurance Commissioner, Division of Financial Regulation, Department of Consumer and Business Services

00:39:13 **SB 1510 - Public Hearing**
00:39:14 Chair Golden
00:39:29 Laura Kentnesse, LPRO Analyst
00:39:51 Travis Medema, Chief Deputy, Oregon Department of State Fire Marshal

00:42:00 **SB 1509 - Public Hearing**
00:42:01 Chair Golden
00:42:07 Laura Kentnesse, LPRO Analyst
00:43:19 Sen. Fred Girod, Senate District 9
00:46:52 Shawn Miller, Oregon Chapter, Coastal Conservation Association
00:48:10 Liz Hamilton, Policy Director, Northwest Sportfishing Industry Association
00:50:34 Thomas Cuomo, Salmon for All
00:51:33 Bob Oleson, Co-President, Northwest Steelheaders

00:54:19 **SB 1561 - Public Hearing**
00:54:20 Chair Golden
00:54:26 Laura Kentnesse, LPRO Analyst
00:55:11 Sen. Elizabeth Steiner, Senate District 17
00:55:22 Ellen Rosenblum, Attorney General
01:05:00 Geoff Huntington, Senior Policy Advisor, Natural Resource Issues, Office of the Governor
01:12:08 Vice-Chair Girod
01:13:10 Sen. Taylor
01:19:55 Sen. Brock Smith
01:25:06 Casey Kulla, State Forest Policy Coordinator, Oregon Wild
01:26:31 James Fraser, Oregon Policy Director, Trout Unlimited
01:29:30 Caylin Barter, Oregon Water Policy Director, Wild Salmon Center
01:33:27 Sristi Kamal, PhD, Deputy Director, Western Environmental Law Center
01:35:58 Amy Patrick, Policy Director, Oregon Hunters Association
01:37:32 Meeting Adjourned