

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

February 6, 2026
8:30 AM

Hearing Room 40

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Kate Lieber, Co-Chair	Rep. Tawna Sanchez, Co-Chair
Sen. Fred Girod, Co-Vice Chair	Rep. David Gomberg, Co-Vice Chair
Sen. Dick Anderson	Rep. Gregory Smith, Co-Vice Chair
Sen. Wlnsvey Campos	Rep. Ben Bowman
Sen. James Manning Jr.	Rep. Emerson Levy
Sen. Mike McLane	Rep. Rob Nosse
Sen. David Brock Smith	Rep. Mark Owens
Sen. Janeen Sollman	Rep. E. Werner Reschke
Sen. Bruce Starr	Rep. Ricki Ruiz
	Rep. Andrea Valderrama

MEMBER(S) EXCUSED:

Sen. Lew Frederick	Rep. Vikki Breese-Iverson
Sen. Courtney Neron Misslin	Rep. Lucetta Elmer
	Rep. Paul Evans

STAFF PRESENT:

Amanda Beitel, Legislative Fiscal Officer
Maia Daniel, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS:

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

00:00:34 [Meeting Called to Order](#)
00:00:35 Representative Sanchez, Presiding Co-Chair

00:00:57 [Introduction of Committee Bills](#)
00:01:03 Amanda Beitel, Legislative Fiscal Officer
00:03:20 MOTION: Co-Chair Lieber moves that LCs 319,321, 322, 323 be introduced as Senate bills, en bloc
00:03:42 Co-Vice Chair Smith
00:04:06 VOTE: 19-0-5
Ayes: Sens. Anderson, Campos, Girod, Lieber, Manning, McLane, Brock Smith, Sollman, Starr; Reps. Bowman, Gomberg, Levy, Nosse, Owens, Reschke, Ruiz,

Sanchez, Smith, Valderrama

Exc: Sens. Frederick, Neron Misslin; Reps. Breese-Iverson, Elmer, Evans
MOTION CARRIES

00:04:18

Co-Chair Sanchez

00:04:37

MOTION: Co-Vice Chair Gomberg moves that LCs 324, 325, 326, 327 be introduced as House bills, en bloc

00:05:05

VOTE: 19-0-5

Ayes: Sens. Anderson, Campos, Girod, Lieber, Manning, McLane, Brock Smith, Sollman, Starr; Reps. Bowman, Gomberg, Levy, Nosse, Owens, Reschke, Ruiz, Sanchez, Smith, Valderrama

Exc: Sens. Frederick, Neron Misslin; Reps. Breese-Iverson, Elmer, Evans
MOTION CARRIES

00:05:13

Department of Fish and Wildlife Grant - Crooked River Habitat Enhancement

00:05:26

MOTION: Rep. Levy reads the Subcommittee Recommendation

00:06:26

VOTE: 19-0-5

Ayes: Sens. Anderson, Campos, Girod, Lieber, Manning, McLane, Brock Smith, Sollman, Starr; Reps. Bowman, Gomberg, Levy, Nosse, Owens, Reschke, Ruiz, Sanchez, Smith, Valderrama

Exc: Sens. Frederick, Neron Misslin; Reps. Breese-Iverson, Elmer, Evans
MOTION CARRIES

00:06:33

Department of Fish and Wildlife Grant - John Day Valley Habitat Restoration

00:06:40

MOTION: Rep. Owens reads the Subcommittee Recommendation

00:07:31

Rep. Owens

00:08:08

VOTE: 19-0-5

Ayes: Sens. Anderson, Campos, Girod, Lieber, Manning, McLane, Brock Smith, Sollman, Starr; Reps. Bowman, Gomberg, Levy, Nosse, Owens, Reschke, Ruiz, Sanchez, Smith, Valderrama

Exc: Sens. Frederick, Neron Misslin; Reps. Breese-Iverson, Elmer, Evans
MOTION CARRIES

00:08:16

Board of Licensed Social Workers / Mental Health Regulatory Agency Report - Licensing Database

00:08:24

MOTION: Sen. Sollman reads the Subcommittee Recommendation

00:10:03

VOTE: 19-0-5

Ayes: Sens. Anderson, Campos, Girod, Lieber, Manning, McLane, Brock Smith, Sollman, Starr; Reps. Bowman, Gomberg, Levy, Nosse, Owens, Reschke, Ruiz, Sanchez, Smith, Valderrama

Exc: Sens. Frederick, Neron Misslin; Reps. Breese-Iverson, Elmer, Evans
MOTION CARRIES

00:10:09

Department of Consumer and Business Services Report - DCBS Workers Compensation Information System Modernization

- 00:10:19** MOTION: Sen. McLane reads the Subcommittee Recommendation
00:11:47 VOTE: 19-0-5
Ayes: Sens. Anderson, Campos, Girod, Lieber, Manning, McLane, Brock Smith, Sollman, Starr; Reps. Bowman, Gomberg, Levy, Nosse, Owens, Reschke, Ruiz, Sanchez, Smith, Valderrama
Exc: Sens. Frederick, Neron Misslin; Reps. Breese-Iverson, Elmer, Evans
MOTION CARRIES
- 00:11:55** **Public Defense Commission Report - Public Defense Attorney Capacity**
00:12:01 MOTION: Sen. Manning reads the Subcommittee Recommendation
00:14:12 Sen. Brock Smith
00:16:44 Co-Chair Sanchez
00:17:26 VOTE: 19-0-5
Ayes: Sens. Anderson, Campos, Girod, Lieber, Manning, McLane, Brock Smith, Sollman, Starr; Reps. Bowman, Gomberg, Levy, Nosse, Owens, Reschke, Ruiz, Sanchez, Smith, Valderrama
Exc: Sens. Frederick, Neron Misslin; Reps. Breese-Iverson, Elmer, Evans
MOTION CARRIES
- 00:17:34** Co-Chair Sanchez
- 00:18:19** **Meeting Adjourned**