

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES

February 19, 2026
08:00 AM

Hearing Room 50

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Ben Bowman, Chair
Rep. Lucetta Elmer, Vice-Chair
Rep. Hai Pham, Vice-Chair
Rep. Dacia Grayber
Rep. Jason Kropf
Rep. Alek Skarlatos
Rep. Kim Wallan

STAFF PRESENT: Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
Desi Root, Committee Assistant

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

MEASURES/ISSUES: HCR 202 – Public Hearing and Work Session
HB 4179 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SCR 204 – Public Hearing and Work Session
HB 4178 – Public Hearing
SCR 201 – Public Hearing and Work Session
HB 4135 – Work Session
HB 4159 – Work Session
HB 4161 – Work Session
HB 4177 – Work Session

00:00:03 Meeting Called to Order

00:00:04 Chair Bowman

00:00:45 HCR 202 - Public Hearing

00:00:46 Chair Bowman

00:00:50 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst

00:01:39 John Kitzhaber, former Governor

00:05:45 Sen. Lisa Reynolds, Senate District 17

00:08:45 Brian Duty, President, Oregon Medical Association; participant, Health Systems Sustainability Group

00:12:00 Rep. Wallan

00:14:45 Rep. Grayber

00:17:12 Rep. Skarlatos

00:18:53 Betsy Boyd-Flynn, Executive Director and CEO, Oregon Academy of Family Physicians

00:22:25 Helen Bellanca, resident, Portland

00:24:27 **HB 4179 - Public Hearing**
00:24:28 Chair Bowman
00:24:31 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:25:14 Brian Druker, CEO, Knight Cancer Institute; Chair, Leukemia Research,
Oregon Health and Sciences University (OHSU)
00:27:43 Alice Cuprill Comas, General Counsel, OHSU
00:30:07 Rep. Grayber

00:31:00 **SCR 204 - Public Hearing**
00:31:01 Chair Bowman
00:31:04 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:31:30 Rep. Court Boice, House District 1
00:33:24 Rep. Mark Owens, House District 60
00:36:15 Rep. Skarlatos
00:37:11 Gina Nikkel, Executive Director, Association of Oregon Counties (AOC)
00:39:35 Erin Skaar, Tillamook County Commissioner

00:42:39 **HB 4178 - Public Hearing**
00:42:40 Chair Bowman
00:42:43 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:43:21 Amanda Dalton, Northwest Grocery Retail Association
00:45:56 Greg Astley, Director, Government Affairs, Oregon Restaurant and
Lodging Association
00:48:15 Rep. Grayber
00:49:36 Pam Leavitt, Senior Vice President, Oregon Credit Unions; GoWest Credit
Union Association
00:51:44 Marjorie Taylor, Legislative Director, Department of Revenue
00:53:11 Rep. Skarlatos

00:53:29 **SCR 201 - Public Hearing**
00:53:30 Chair Bowman
00:53:32 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:53:56 Rep. Grayber
00:54:21 Meeting Recessed
00:54:26 Meeting Reconvened

00:54:34 **HCR 202 - Work Session**
00:54:35 Chair Bowman
00:54:38 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:55:01 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES TO ADOPT THE -1
AMENDMENTS
00:55:13 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
00:55:30 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES HCR 202 BE ADOPTED AS
AMENDED

00:55:48 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
CARRIER: REP. BOWMAN

00:56:10 **HB 4135 - Work Session**

00:56:11 Chair Bowman
00:56:13 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:56:27 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES HB 4135 DO PASS
00:56:37 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
CARRIER: REP. HARTMAN

00:57:00 **HB 4179 - Work Session**

00:57:01 Chair Bowman
00:57:03 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:57:15 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES HB 4179 DO PASS
00:57:27 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
CARRIER: REP. PHAM

00:57:47 **SCR 201 - Work Session**

00:57:48 Chair Bowman
00:57:52 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:58:03 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES SCR 201 BE ADOPTED
00:58:13 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
CARRIER: REP. GRAYBER

00:58:41 **SCR 204 - Work Session**

00:58:42 Chair Bowman
00:58:44 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:58:56 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES SCR 204 BE ADOPTED
00:59:06 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
CARRIER: REP. BOICE

00:59:34 **HB 4159 - Work Session**

00:59:35 Chair Bowman
00:59:38 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
00:59:58 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES HB 4159 DO PASS

01:00:09 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
CARRIER: REP. SOSA

01:00:30 **HB 4161 - Work Session**
01:00:31 Chair Bowman
01:00:33 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
01:00:58 VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES HB 4161 DO PASS
01:01:09 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
CARRIER: REP. SOSA

01:01:28 **HB 4177 - Work Session**
01:01:29 Chair Bowman
01:01:33 Melissa Leoni, LPRO Analyst
01:02:49 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES TO ADOPT THE -2
AMENDMENTS
01:03:00 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
01:03:18 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR PHAM MOVES HB 4177 DO PASS AS AMENDED
AND BE REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND
MEANS
01:03:35 Rep. Grayber
01:04:23 Rep. Wallan
01:05:40 VOTE: 7-0-0
AYE: GRAYBER, KROPF, SKARLATOS, WALLAN, ELMER, PHAM,
BOWMAN
01:06:04 Meeting Adjourned