

Fellow Oregonians,

This legislative update is completed by the Salem 9-12 Project Legislative Committee. We are a conservative group and have no party affiliation, but lean toward conservative values, of limited government, fiscal and personal responsibility, and freedom.

This legislative update is written strictly from a conservative point of view and often points out legislators of both parties when they are moving away from these founding principles. We also mention legislators when they are upholding these core values.

As in past updates the bills have been divided into 3 categories; Red, Blue, and black. The red entries are the bills to look at if you have limited time as they are the bills that make the largest changes to Oregon law as they are adding new taxes, bureaucracies, constitutional amendments, or implementing other larger changes to Oregon law. The Blue bills make smaller less significant changes, but from a conservative standpoint may be important. And finally, the black bills; these are only included if they are during a committee meeting with one of the more important bill classifications. Approximately half of the bills with committee hearings this week will not show up on this list at all as they are only in committee meetings with black bills.

If you would like to see all the other bills with committee hearings this week, follow one of the links below to the committee agenda and you can see the whole list there.

The committee meetings are arranged by day of the week, and within each day they are arranged somewhat by order of importance with the meetings with the most 'red' listed near the top. The committee meeting listings include time, location, and date for each meeting. There is also a complete listing of all the committee members responsible for the decisions occurring in that committee. Their phone numbers and e-mail addresses are present so it is possible to quickly and easily contact legislators to let your views be known. Additionally there are links to the committee administrator, assistants, and subject area experts provided to the committee by the state. And finally there are links to the committee meetings for you to watch online (if you can not be there in person), as well as to archived audio of past meetings, and documents for each bill.

With the time frame we try to operate within for this report, getting you the most accurate information as soon as possible, this report is typically started after the Capitol closes in the evening and is finished sometime Saturday night. Consequently we are not able to read and verify every bill presented here and we typically go by what is listed on the state web site. Therefore sometimes legislators will do what they call a "gut and stuff" or provide enormous changes in these bills from time to time and we are not made aware of it till after the update goes out. If we hear of a situation where this occurs we will try to notify people.

There are many important bills this week covering many different topics, including:

**Trustee sales of foreclosures,
Green technology requirements for new buildings,
Higher education,
Green jobs,**

**The Oregon Regulation task force,
 Water quality management,
 Health exchanges,
 Public records disclosure,
 Full day kindergarten,
 Submersible lands,
 And much more.**

Additionally there were several informational meetings that were highlighted, in Pink, this week that might be of interest to some people.

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**Have a fine week,
 Please be involved as these people need to hear from YOU.
 Tom
 9-12 legislative chair.**

**Date: Tuesday-May 31
 Time: 1:00 P.M.
 Room: 343
 Judiciary
 Office: 331 Phone: 503-986-1750**

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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

SB 424 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Clarifies that pedestrian is crossing roadway in crosswalk when any part or extension of pedestrian's body moves onto roadway with intent to proceed.

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Note;

From bill summary: "Senate Bill 424 A; creates several exceptions for the offense of pedestrian with improper position upon a highway for individuals who do not impair traffic, post advance warning signs, wear high-visibility safety apparel and have a permit issued to conduct fundraising activities on the roadway" In order to get this convoluted, hard to interpret bill to pass they incorporated language to allow firefighters to do their annual pass the boot fundraiser and do it legally. Newspaper article said "Some senators didn't appreciate an amendment that seemed to have little to do with the topics at hand. It would allow firefighters to continue to wander intersections during "fill the boot" fund-raisers. A few senators noted they didn't like the pedestrian language but they didn't want to vote against their hometown firefighters.

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SB 432 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Clarifies date on which custody begins for person temporarily committed because of finding of temporary unfitness to stand criminal trial.

SB 519 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Provides that if property that is subject to trustee's sale or judgment of foreclosure and sale is also subject to affordable housing covenant, sale is subject to right of eligible covenant holder to purchase property for total sum of obligations secured by trust deed or mortgage on property or highest bid received for the property other than bid from eligible covenant holder .

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Note:

Appears to give our state the right to purchase any property it has an interest in through loans or affordable housing authority and to purchase property for highest bid at auction or lowest bid if auction unsuccessful and property reverts to bank. Appears to allow state to get into the landlord business.

Audio files 27:00 minutes into file on 3-15-2011

Dingfelder met with group called "Proud Ground" to develop bill.

Executive Director, Proud Ground,, Jessie Beeson, and member of "NW community land trust alliance". They divorce the land and the home and sell home for less money and

they hold deed to land (apparently). The initial money for this land/ house agreement comes from government grants. Apparently only low income individuals can apply for this government-private partnership to receive these low cost houses. People have been purchasing their houses for low prices at foreclosure auctions and they want this to stop.

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Work Session

SB 347 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Exempts from disclosure records of domestic violence service or resource center that concern individuals affected by domestic or sexual violence who visit center for referrals, resource information or related services, or individuals' family members.

SB 401 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Creates crime of insurance fraud.

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Note:

So until this new law passes it is OK to commit insurance fraud?

Aren't there already laws against fraud?

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SB 405 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Allows State Board of Higher Education to authorize university under board control to establish police department.

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Note:

Bill appears to allow colleges to set up campus police departments. Arguments can be supplied for both sides of this legislation that are logical. Read the bill summary and make a decision for yourself.

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SB 406 A Modifies period of time after which, and jurisdiction wherein, person may petition for restoration of driving privileges when privileges are revoked following certain criminal conduct.

SB 409 CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Requires judge to appoint stenographic reporter for proceedings in aggravated murder trials.

SB 557 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Requires district attorney of each county to organize sexual assault response team.

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Note:

This might be a good idea, but is more appropriate to let each DA put his money where he feels it is most appropriate....local control is best, not state mandates.

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Date: Tuesday-May 31

Time: 3:00 P.M.

Room: HR B
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Work Session

HB 2370 A Requires political subdivision to give Department of Transportation at least 30 days' notice of intent to sell or transfer real property near rail infrastructure.

Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

HB 2840 Expands green jobs growth initiative to include analysis of growth factors and employment projections for green jobs in forest products industries.

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Note:

Passed house with all republicans except Hicks voting for bill
 From Bill summary: the measure requires the Board to use this analysis, in consultation with the education and workforce policy advisor, to identify those forest industries that create high-demand green forest products. We don't need a new program to determine which forest products sell. How about cutting some trees into 2x4's and making some plywood. Those products sell and are going to be heavily needed in Japan to rebuild their country.

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Public Hearing

SB 988 Creates Task Force on Oregon Business Regulations.

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Note:

We don't need a task force. What we need is a legislature and a governor with some common sense and an understanding that nothing comes for free. Every time they write new regulations, require more compliance, add mandates to business, costs go up, businesses profits go down. It is just that simple.

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Date: Tuesday-May 31
Time: 8:00 A.M.
Room: HR E
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Possible Work Session

SB 382 A CARRIED OVER FROM 05/26/2011 AGENDA - Requires lien claimants to send required notice of lien claim only to mortgagees that comply with requirement to record name and address with county clerk.

SB 487 A CARRIED OVER FROM 5/26/2011 AGENDA - Prohibits automatic renewal or continuous service offers to consumers unless offer complies with disclosure requirements.

SB 491 A CARRIED OVER FROM 05/26/2011 AGENDA - Modifies requirements for notice of foreclosure and termination of tenancy for residential dwellings in foreclosure.

SB 846 A CARRIED OVER FROM 05/26/2011 AGENDA - Requires persons engaged in manufacturing bicycle trailers designed for human passengers to affix labels on trailers to inform purchasers whether trailer meets certain specifications.

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Note:

Passed the senate with republicans Boquist, Telfer, Starr, and Atkinson voting for bill. Democrat Johnson votes with most republicans to stop bill. From the bill summary” Allows purchaser of bicycle trailer to bring civil action against manufacturer if does not conform to standards within two years from date of purchase. Requires a court to award a prevailing plaintiff reasonable costs and attorney fees.” Republicans voting against mentioned that this is not governments job to micromanage all products from manufacturers.

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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

SB 586 A Requires public agency to include amount in contract for construction, reconstruction or major renovation of public building equivalent to 1.5 percent of total contract price for inclusion of appropriate green energy technology.

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Note:

In time of economic difficulties for our state, this is no time to mandate that green technology is used in all building projects. Financial resources should only be used where most economically prudent.

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Date: Tuesday-May 31
Time: 8:30 A.M.
Room: 343
Judiciary
Office: 331 Phone: 503-986-1750

This meeting will not be able to cover all the topics listed below and will be continued at the meeting on:

Date: Wednesday-June 1
Time: 1:00 P.M.
Room: 343
Judiciary

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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

HB 2274 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Permits certified peace officers from states adjoining Oregon to provide or attempt to provide law enforcement services within Oregon under certain conditions.

Work Session

HB 2103 A Specifies that persons either convicted of driving while under influence of intoxicants or entering diversion agreements may use state medical assistance program to support medically necessary chemical dependency services related to screening interview, treatment program or diagnostic assessment.

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Note:

Bill appears to allow a person convicted of DUI to receive state services to pay for treatment.

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HB 2174 A Creates crime of unlawful possession of hydrocodone.

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Note:

From bill summary: “provides new and discrete statutory sections for these crimes. The purpose of creating a new provision is to allow law enforcement to more effectively track the raw, cumulative data by drug. Sections 5 through 20 of House Bill 2174 A bring other drug statutes into conformity with this tracking system. House Bill 2174 A further allows endangering the welfare of a minor and frequenting a place where controlled substances are used into the conditional discharge statute at ORS 475.245.

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HB 2183 A Creates offense of making a false report of child abuse.

HB 2650 A Requires home health agency or in-home care agency to complete criminal records check on individual paid by agency to provide home health or in-home care services.

HB 2663 A Modifies rights granted to victim of crime in criminal prosecution.

HB 2693 A Makes process for issuance of warrants by agencies uniform.

HB 2865 A Extends immunity to owner of land or city of population of 500,000 or more or city's officers, employees or agents for personal injury or property damage resulting from specified uses of certain publicly accessible trails or structures.

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Note:

Which city has a population of 500,000 or more????? If allowing city officials in Portland to have limited liability is a good Idea, maybe we should expand this to cities with populations below 500,000 people as well.

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HB 3085 A Requires health care facility to notify law enforcement if facility becomes aware as result of blood test, urine test or other diagnostic test that patient who was operating motor vehicle in accident has controlled substance in blood.

HB 3126 Authorizes prosecution for failure to report as sex offender in county where defendant is apprehended or last registered, if county where offense was committed cannot be determined.

HB 3142 Includes youth correction facility staff within definition of "staff member for purposes of assault in the third degree and aggravated harassment.

HB 3153 A Includes reserve officers within definition of "peace officer and "police officer for certain purposes.

HB 3166 A CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGENDA: Establishes statutory limit of six years after date of decision for person to file request with Land Use Board of Appeals for review of land use decision or limited land use decision.

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Note:

This bill puts a limit on the length of an appeal for land use. I tend to believe that a person should be able to use their property for any legal use at the time of purchase regardless of the length of time after purchase. Sometimes uses for property are not approved by local building officials and those requested go to the Land Use Board of Appeals for a final determination of approved use. This bill would stop all appeals after 6 years and not allow a landowner to wait for a person, or persons, on this board to be replaced by more ‘friendly’ board members and get a new ruling.

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HB 3186 A Removes exception for person operating motor vehicle in scope of person's employment from offense of operating motor vehicle while using mobile communication device.

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Note:

Makes cell phone usage in car law tougher. Takes away exemption of people needing to use phones to conduct business.

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HB 3204 Requires reporting by sex offender convicted or adjudicated in Oregon court who does not reside in Oregon, within specified time of beginning or changing school attendance or employment in Oregon.

HB 3239 Requires person convicted of sexual assault of animal to report as sex offender.

HB 3251 A Prohibits disclosure of audio or video records of internal investigation interviews of public safety officers.

HB 3323 Modifies crimes relating to child pornography.

HB 3376 Authorizes court to enter order setting aside conviction for Class B felony under certain circumstances.

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Note:

Bill will allow embezzlers and other criminals to apply for jobs that allow them access to money (again) where they can embezzle (again) and legally tell their new employer they have NEVER been convicted of a crime.

. Article in Oregonian mentions that some district attorneys think this bill goes too far. If done at all this should be only considered on a case by case basis and not have a one size fits all approach.

Passed in house with unanimous vote.

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HB 3450 A Reduces to 72 hours minimum time before first day of employment that employer is required to notify employee in written employment offer that arbitration agreement is required as condition of employment.

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Note:

Passed by House with about a dozen NO votes split between both parties. Changes rules for non-compete clauses and other issues. From bill summary “House Bill 3450-A reduces the timeframe for notifying an employee about an arbitration agreement from two weeks to 72 hours before their first day on the job.” Allowing employees a couple weeks to think about a significant employment decision is better than giving them just 72 hours. I would prefer to keep the current language and the 2 week time frame for these decisions.

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Date: Tuesday-May 31

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Room: HR B

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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

HB 3197 A Requires district school board to adopt attendance notification policy.

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Note:

What about local control? Do we really need to mandate this from the state level? If schools were allowed to compete, these simple ideas would be implemented without force by the governments.

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HB 3555 A Allows person without administrative license to be superintendent, or assistant superintendent, of public school, public charter school or virtual public charter school.

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Note:

We want the best people running our schools whether or not they have been a teacher in the past. If a certified teacher turned administrator is the best person for the job, let them compete for it.

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HB 3336 A Requires state institutions of higher learning to allow military recruitment on campus on equal footing with other employment recruitment.

Date: Tuesday-May 31

Time: 3:00 P.M.

Room: HR C

Environment and Natural Resources

Office: 347 Phone: 503-986-1751

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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

HB 3465 A Directs Department of Land Conservation and Development to establish Oregon Guest Ranch Pilot Program for two pilot projects for development of guest ranches in eastern Oregon.

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Note: A special provision to allow a couple land owners to develop some land. Again, why is government picking winners and losers? Why not let people develop their own lands if they believe the market would allow it and a banker will fund it?

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HB 3613 A Provides that State Department of Agriculture water quality management plans and supporting rules and programs of department are exclusive public body means to protect and improve water quality through agricultural activity regulations regarding nonpoint sources of pollution on lands located outside urban growth boundary.

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Note:

Most democrats voted against bill and republicans voted for bill. Passed in house. Bill has many changes to wording and I'm not sure how they will be interpreted by the bureaucracy. Biggest change is the Dept of Agriculture will control rule making for land outside of urban growth boundaries as far as pollution is concerned. There seem to be no changes in pollution policy or levels in this bill; however the change to put it under different leadership could dramatically change direction of pollution control enforcement and rule making.

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Work Session

HB 3280 A Modifies authority for establishment of winery and for winery sales and services in exclusive farm use zone.

HB 2875 A Specifies that public lands currently accessible for hunting must remain accessible for hunting unless state agency restricts access for reason of public safety or wildlife management.

HB 3516 A Authorizes installation and use of solar photovoltaic energy system on residential or commercial structure in zones in which residential or commercial structures are authorized.

HB 3408 CARRIED OVER FROM THE 05/26/2011 AGENDA: Modifies provision authorizing placement of irrigation property by certain special districts or corporations as outright permitted use on land zoned for exclusive farm use.

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Note:

Clarifies that irrigation reservoirs and other irrigation apparatus are allowed on land designated for exclusive farm use.

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Public Hearing

HB 3127 A Authorizes parking of up to seven dump trucks and up to seven trailers on lot or parcel of land zoned for forest use or mixed farm and forest use.



Date: Tuesday-May 31
Time: 1:00 P.M.
Room: HR D
Veterans Affairs
Office: 453 Phone: 503-986-1667

Informational Meeting

Discussion of Committee Topics for Interim
Invited Testimony

Date: Tuesday-May 31
Time: 3:00 P.M.
Room: HR D
Energy, Environment and Water
Office: 347 Phone: 503-986-1763

Informational Meeting

Port of Portland Sustainable Aviation Fuels Project

Mr. Philip Ralston, General Manager, Aviation Environmental & Safety, Port of Portland

Ms. Megan Lawrence, Managing Director, Government and Community Relations, Alaska Airlines/Horizon Air

Rich White, Sustainable Aviation Fuels Program, Boeing Commercial Airplanes

Darrin Morgan, Sustainable Aviation Fuels Program, Boeing Commercial Airplanes

William G. Boggess, Executive Associate Dean, Director, Sun Grant Western Regional Center

College of Agricultural Sciences, Oregon State University

Possible Work Session

SB 518 CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/26/2011 AGNEDA: Provides that certain rulemaking provisions do not apply to removal or fill general permits established by rule by Department of State Lands.

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Note:

Passed Senate with most democrats and 3 republicans voting for measure. We are not clear on the changes this bill would make to this process as we are not familiar with this process and the rule making process involved. In general it appears republicans are

opposed to the bill and democrats favor the bill, (however that is sometimes not an indication of conservative ideals.)

From bill summary: “Provides that notice and public comment provisions of rulemaking do not apply to removal or fill general permits established by rule by the Department of State Lands. Requires that payments to the Oregon Removal-Fill Mitigation Fund be equal to the actual mitigation project costs if the actual costs are known. Requires the payment amount to the Oregon Removal-Fill Mitigation Fund, in cases where actual costs are not known, be adjusted for variables such as regional differences and mitigation type.”

Date: Wednesday-June 1

Time: 3:00 P.M.

Room: HR E

Rules

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Note: Co-Chair Rep. Andy Olson will be presiding today
Possible Introduction of Committee Measures

Public Hearing

HB 3662 FIRST PUBLIC HEARING - Expands immunity from liability for health care provider who provides services for charitable organization without compensation.

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Note:

It seems reasonable to protect a doctor from liability when he is providing his services for free while doing work for a charitable organization.

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HB 3676 FIRST PUBLIC HEARING - Makes legislative findings regarding water quality.

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This bill is so twisted that it is very hard to read and understand. It has some reasonable parts to it, but the whole process here is absurd. The DEQ is to look for a polluter who wants a pollution variance and ask them to write a variance application to EPA. If no polluter wants to spend their time or money doing this, the state has to do it for a hypothetical polluter, and submit this to the EPA for approval. The paperwork back and forth between these 2 organizations is going to be immense and time consuming to prepare. This is an employment bill for regulation writers and bureaucrats. This whole bill stems from the fact that some items that are classified as pollutants are naturally occurring and at higher levels than are deemed to be save by the EPA. This in turn prevents people from discharging into waters that may have these naturally occurring substances considered pollutants. Essentially, in certain locations you can not pump water from a stream, do nothing to, and pump it right back into the stream, because the water coming out of the pump does not meet water quality standards.

The bill makes several good points.

From bill, a little bit of common sense: "As water quality standards for the protection of human health become increasingly stringent, the marginal benefits to human health may decrease, and the absolute and marginal economic, social and environmental costs of achieving the standards may increase." "Because of the factors described in this section, excessively stringent water quality standards for the protection of human health may result in wastewater permit discharge limits or other requirements that are unreasonable because they are infeasible or impossible to achieve and provide negligible or no human health benefits." "A source of pollutants in waters of the state is not always within the legal or practicable control of this state. This is often especially true of naturally occurring earth metals that may be designated pollutants, pollutants from past human activities, pollutants contributed in small amounts from many different human activities and pollutants generated outside this state that ultimately reach waters of the state through combustion sources, global air deposition and other means. As water quality standards for the protection of human health become more stringent, achieving these standards becomes increasingly difficult because the sources of pollutants that are outside this state's legal or practicable control become a larger proportion of the pollutant sources and may alone cause the standards to be exceeded.

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Public Hearing and Work Session
 SCR 14 In memoriam: Mike Propes, 1954-2011.

Date: Wednesday-June 1
Time: 3:00 P.M.
Room: HR D
Presiding Co-Chair: Rep. Mitch Greenlick
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This agenda will consist of measures that have been carried over from previously posted agendas.

Possible Work Session

SB 99 A Establishes Oregon Health Insurance Exchange Corporation as public corporation to be governed by board of directors and supervised by executive director.
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Note:

Passed the Senate with 2 Democrats and 3 Republicans voting no. This is one part of the ObamaCare package. We have been told by several Republicans

that this is not ObamaCare and is nothing to worry about. Or we need to do this now so the federal government does not come into Oregon and set up an exchange we do not like. We believe this is part of the Democrats and the presidents health care plan

--From the fiscal impact statement "This bill will align state statutes with federal requirements. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 requires the establishment of state health insurance exchanges.

--Section 17 of the bill allows that state to collect a 3, 4, or 5% commission from all insurance sold in the state.

--Section 14 will require you to provide income tax information and SSN to the health exchange so they can verify your income and qualifications for assistance for purchasing health insurance.

--Section 13 says that if there is a dispute between the state and The Presidents Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, "or require additional conditions not required under state statute, the applicable federal requirement governs."

--Section 11 says that only individuals and companies who purchase insurance through the exchange will be eligible for any type of tax credits.

--Section 9 says that the executive director serves at the pleasure of the board, must follow the constitution of the United States, and "may employ, supervise and terminate the employment of such staff as the executive director deems Necessary." (Yet later in the same section it says these people all qualify for collective bargaining and receive PERS)

--Section 3 says that health plans must be certified by the state to be sold and all plans must have the same features to be included in the exchange. And assistance with the exchange will be provided with community based Navigators who will receive grants for this service from the government.

--requires a business plan for running of corporaton to be completed by start of regular session 2012. section 1.

-- plans and 'Essential health benefits' means the health care services identified by the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services. What about the free market determining what essential health benefits are?

--goal of program is "improving the lifelong health of all Oregonians, increasing the quality, reliability and availability of health insurance for all Oregonians and lowering or containing the cost of health insurance so that health insurance is affordable to everyone". section 2

--and other goal is "mitigate health disparities linked to race, ethnicity, primary language and similar factors, control costs and ensure access to affordable, equitable and high-quality health care throughout this state. Section 2

--section 3 requires the health exchange to notify the federal government and IRS if a person changes jobs or ends coverage.

--AND we could go on about this bill. We do not believe this is just a little thing to "not worry about: as we were told. Please read the bill for yourself and decide what you think.

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SB 204 A Allows disclosure of identity of person between health care providers and prepaid managed care health services organizations that are paid by state health plan to provide care to person.

Date: Wednesday-June 1
Time: 8:00 A.M.
Room: HR A
Revenue
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Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 3666 Encourages Oregon Investment Council and State Treasurer to divest investment funds invested in certain companies engaged in mineral-extraction or oil-related activities related to Iran.

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Note:

If we need a law to tell our treasurer to not invest Oregon money with a terrorist nation, then we have bigger problems that this new law addresses. Originally I believe this bills intent was to not have any investment in Iran, not just limiting dealings with oil and gas companies.

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HB 3058 Excludes patronage dividends or transactions with cooperative members from definition of "Oregon sales for purposes of corporate minimum tax.

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Note:

Instead of this bill, why not write a bill to eliminate the corporate minimum tax? That would be far more beneficial to to Oregon economy, and job growth.

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HB 3678 Removes ambulance services from list of fee schedules used to calculate provider charges for personal injury protection benefits.

Date: Wednesday-June 1
Time: 3:00 P.M.
Room: HR C
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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

SB 829 A Modifies authority for establishment of winery and for winery sales and services in exclusive farm use zone and on other agricultural land.

Possible Work Session

SB 600 A Modifies provisions related to lease of submersible lands.

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Note:

Passed senate with unanimous vote, one member excused. Highlighted red due to large amount of land this bill would affect and comments from bill summary; “Authorizes DSL to charge for uses on state-owned submerged or submersible lands for habitat restoration projects for environmental mitigation credit or settlement or credit obtained as offset against natural resource damages liability. Requires registration of specific uses. Allows DSL to authorize by rule use of specific state-owned submerged or submersible lands without charge if minimally intrusive to public rights of navigation, fishery or recreation. Modifies provisions related to lease of state lands for kelp harvesting.”

Date: Wednesday-June 1

Time: 8:00 A.M.

Room: HR E

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Possible Work Session

SB 485 A Allows Real Estate Agency to issue cease and desist order and maintain action for injunction against person who engages or is about to engage in professional real estate activity without license.

SB 384 A Revises billing cycle requirement for prompt payment of amounts due under private construction contracts.

SB 237 Extends whistleblower protection for hospital nursing staff to additional hospital staff.

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Note:

During a personal conversation with a doctor, the doctor informed me that he and some of his friends were very worried about this bill and its implications. With the growing regulatory and management nightmare in hospitals doctors are worried that they may not do some reporting, or file something incorrectly, say something to someone they were not supposed to talk to, or have some other minor problem. Then have someone become a “whistleblower” on them and then the whistleblower would be protected from ever being fired for the rest of their lives, regardless of the quality of their job performance. The whistle blower would simply state that the only reason he was being fired was because he was a whistleblower, thus he could sue in court to keep his job or get paid off.

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Date: Wednesday-June 1

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Room: HR B

General Government, Consumer and Small Business Protection

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Work Session

HB 2614 CARRIED OVER FROM THE 5/25/2011 AGENDA: Removes requirement that institution reduce book value of real estate that institution holds under certain provision of law by certain amount each year.

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Note:

6-7 democrats voted no on bill.

Allows banks to not depreciate foreclosure property at 5% rate per year.

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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

HB 2095 Enacts Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact.

HB 2615 A Authorizes financial institutions to swipe information from individual's driver license, driver permit or identification card when establishing or maintaining contract or account or providing goods or services.

Work Session

HB 2244 A Modifies definition of "public record for purposes of public records retention and disclosure laws.

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Note:

Requires state agencies to adopt written policies regarding use, access, retention and ownership of public records. And allows each agency to have different policies.

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HB 2425 A Modifies provisions relating to local budget law.

HB 2916 A Prohibits lender or assignee of lender from bringing action or otherwise seeking payment for residual debt following short sale if lender reports to Internal Revenue Service that, for specified reasons, lender has canceled all or portion of borrower's debt under real estate loan agreement and if lender provides to borrower written evidence of report.

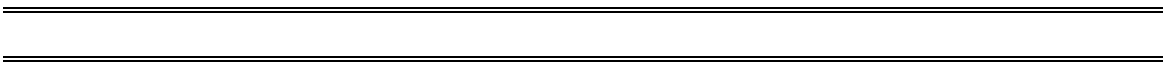
HB 3361 Includes clustered mailboxes in definition of "related facilities for purpose of ensuring access by persons with disabilities.

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Note:

Bill appears to require clustered mailboxes on the side of all roads be handicap accessible. Requires cities and counties to develop new code standards. Bill sponsored by both democrats and republicans.

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Date: Wednesday-June 1
Time: 1:00 P.M.

Room: HR E
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Possible Work Session

SB 253 A Revises mission of higher education to meet numerical educational goals.

SB 244 Requires State Board of Education to encourage increased learning time.

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Note:

I thought that the state board of educations job was to promote good education practices....Do we really need a law to get them to do their job?? If we do, we probably have the wrong people running it.

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Date: Wednesday-June 1

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Room: 343

Judiciary

Office: 331 Phone: 503-986-1750

****THIS AGENDA WILL BE POPULATED WITH ANY MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUSLY POSTED AGENDAS****

Date: Thursday-June 2

Time: 3:00 P.M.

Room: HR E

Rules

Office: 453 Phone: 503-986-1559

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Note: Co-Chair Rep. Dave Hunt will be presiding today
Possible Introduction of Committee Measures

Work Session

SB 248 Extends applicability of law that requires school districts to offer half-day kindergarten and allows school districts and public charter schools to offer supplemental kindergarten.

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Note:

From bill summary: “Requires school districts to offer full-day kindergarten, beginning with 2015-2016 school year.” The summary also says “The fiscal impact is indeterminate. The measure requires school districts to offer full-day kindergarten, but the manner in which those services will be offered can and may be unique district by district.....the potential for a gap in resources versus the necessary expenditures to deliver services will be unknown.”

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Date: Wednesday-June 1
Time: 8:30 A.M.
Room: 343
Judiciary
Office: 331 Phone: 503-986-1750

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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

HB 2460 A Makes criminal records check requirement of alcohol and drug treatment providers nonmandatory.

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Note:

Read bill summary and make determination about this bill as it changes many items.

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HB 2648 A Deletes provision authorizing use of reasonable physical force upon incompetent person by parent, guardian or other person entrusted with care and supervision of incompetent person.

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Note:

Don't like the bill title listed above, but the bill appears to allow physical restraint of minors and incompetents if they are going to do harm to themselves or others. Regardless of whether the person is in a home situation, a jail, or a school.

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HB 2892 A Allows landowners with common boundary that is uncertain or subject to dispute to locate and fix boundary by agreement.

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Note:

Passed house with unanimous vote.

From bill summary; "Requires documentation to be included with the recorded agreement. Makes explicit that such agreement does not convey ownership." And "provides a uniform process for landowners to record agreements that settle boundary line disputes, without going to court, and without affecting any transfer of interest."

So we are making a law that settles a boundary line dispute, but does not legally settle a boundary line dispute, Why do we need a law to allow 2 individuals to mutually agree on a property line if no legal affect is in force with the agreement???

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HB 3241 A Establishes process through which person may obtain reservation through city or county to conduct funeral service on public property.

Work Session

HB 2787 A Prohibits public body from releasing information that identifies holder of or applicant for concealed handgun license.

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Note:

Passed house with all republicans except Vicki Berger voting for this bill and about 14 democrats did as well.

This information needs to remain private.

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HB 2792 A Provides nonresidents who are authorized to carry concealed handgun in another state with protections provided to persons with Oregon concealed handgun license.

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Note:

Passed house already with all republicans and about a dozen democrats voted for this bill. Berger, clem, weidner did not vote. This is Kim Thatchers bill and is the best version of this bill.

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Date: Wednesday-June 1

Time: 8:30 A.M.

Room: HR B

Veterans' and Military Affairs
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Work Session

HB 3207 A CARRIED OVER FROM 5/25/2011 AGENDA: Requires public employer to interview each veteran who applies for civil service position and who has obtained through military education or experience skills that substantially relate to civil service position.

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Note:

Although I think this is a great policy, I don't think this is the right thing to do. Potentially sets up military individuals to go to many interviews they really aren't qualified for and have little chance of getting the job.

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Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

HB 2076 Clarifies obligation of providers of telecommunications services and equipment to comply with requirements for 9-1-1 emergency communications.

Date: Wednesday-June 1
Time: 8:15 A.M.
Location: Hillcrest Youth Correctional Facility
Tour Begins at 8:15 A.M.
Human Services
Office: 453 Phone: 503-986-1528

Field Trip

Tour: Hillcrest Youth Correctional Facility

Date: Wednesday-June 8

Time: 8:30 A.M.

Room: HR B

Veterans' and Military Affairs

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Informational Meeting

Discussion of Committee Topics for Interim

Emergency Preparedness and Response

Suicide Prevention and Crisis Response

Public Safety - Training and Continuing Education (especially in connection to interactions with veterans)

Security Issues

Army Reserve / National Guard - Reimer Report

Veterans' Medical Benefits:

Health Impact of Iraq and Afghanistan Wars on Veterans

Budget Issues

Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs

Oregon Military Department

Measures in committee at sine die

There will be time for public input on these interim issues at the meeting on June 8th.