

## 2 NOTES:

**-The state site was not updated for the second week in a row so we do not know all the committee meetings taking place, nor which bills will be voted on in the House and Senate. Consequently, we will have to do an amendment to the legislative update.**

**-There are several bills with conference committees and they have no dates for meetings. Input for them needs to be through e-mail right now. They are listed at the bottom of the page.**

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.

There are several important bills this week covering different topics including:

**A new insurance premium tax,  
Tax breaks for agriculture cooperatives,  
And several others.**

**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.**

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**Date: Monday-June 13  
Time: 1:00 P.M.**

**Room: HR A**  
**Finance and Revenue**  
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**Work Session**

**HB 2543 A** (To Resolve Conflicts) - Revises homestead property tax deferral program by imposing maximum net worth limit and minimum homestead residence requirement on claimants and maximum real market value limit on homestead.

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**Note:**

Changes in seniors property tax exemption program and puts net worth limit on program. Changes interest calculations for repayment and adds lien component to ensure repayment.

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**HB 2679 A** Authorizes Director of Department of Consumer and Business Services to enter compact with other states to allocate among states premium taxes paid to insured's home state.

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**Note from bill summary:**

This bill makes sure the Oregon Surplus Lines Law conform to the federal Nonadmitted and Reinsurance Reform Act of 2010.

A surplus lines policy is a policy placed with an insurer that is not licensed in Oregon, but is eligible to provide property or liability insurance through a specially licensed producer known as a surplus lines licensee. The surplus lines insurance market exists to ensure that Oregonians can obtain unique or hard-to-find coverage that isn't available in the regular insurance marketplace. The Oregon Surplus Lines Law (Oregon Revised Statutes 735.400-735.495) governs the surplus lines market

Currently, Oregon surplus lines insurance policies, except for independently procured ones without the use of Oregon-licensed producers, are subject to a two percent

premium tax that goes to the General Fund and a tax for the purpose of supporting the function of the office of the State Fire Marshall. The new federal law authorizes states to collect the premium taxes on independently procured surplus lines policies. Under this bill, independently procured surplus lines policies will be subject to the two percent premium tax and the State Fire Marshall tax, **which makes this bill revenue-raising.** Ultimately, I'm not quite sure what to think of this bill.

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**Public Hearing and Work Session**

**HB 3058 A** Excludes sales representing business done with or for cooperative members from definition of "Oregon sales for purposes of corporate minimum tax imposed on agricultural cooperatives.

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Note:

Passed the house with all democrats voting for it.

From the bill background: "In general, corporate sales made within Oregon's borders are defined to be 'Oregon Sales' for purposes of apportionment and the corporation minimum tax. Consequently, sales made by co-operative members to an Oregon co-op are considered Oregon sales, regardless of their ultimate destination. By modifying the definition of Oregon sales for agricultural co-operatives, their minimum tax would be reduced. The benefit of the reduced tax liability is presumably passed on to the co-op members through relatively higher dividend payments."

**So Democrats, (and some republicans); let me get this straight. It is OK to pass a law reducing taxes on an agricultural cooperative so the business can make more money and pass it on to their customers or to the owners of the cooperative (the shareholders). But..... you want to increase taxes and fees on every other business in the state. Why don't you stop picking winners and losers, reduce taxes for ALL businesses and then maybe we could get a little economic growth in this state, because those businesses would have more money free to hire new employees, develop new products, lower costs of their goods, or pay higher dividends to their shareholders. It's just a thought, but you have already tried the 'tax and regulate us to death' route, maybe a little free market economics and some common sense would be good.**

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**Date: Monday-June 13**  
**Time: 9:00 A.M.**  
**Room: HR A**  
**Tax Credits**  
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Work Session

**HB 3671** Requires joint legislative interim committee on revenue to study costs and benefits of Oregon's tax credits and make recommendations to Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly.

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Note:

Do we really need a committee to tell the legislature that tax credits are bad policy because they pick winners and losers and send incorrect market signals to the businesses involved and to the general economy? If reducing the tax burden of one company is good for its growth, then reducing taxes for all companies has to be good for their growth.

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**HB 3672** Requires joint legislative interim committee on revenue to study costs and benefits of Oregon's tax expenditures and make recommendations to Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly.

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Another note:

Do we really need a committee here too? To tell the legislature that the less they spend, the less they have to collect from the citizens of Oregon. The more 'We the People' get to keep of our own money.

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**Date: Monday-June 13**

**Time: 2:30 P.M.**

**Room: HR E**

**Rules**

**Office: 453 Phone: 503-986-1559**

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

Possible Reconsideration and Work Session

**HB 3657** Reduces certain nonresident fees related to commercial fishing.

Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

**SB 801** Directs State Board of Education to adopt guidelines for best practices of administering statewide assessments of students.

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Note:

If this is not something that the state Board of education is not already doing (without this new law), then we need new leadership in the Education department. Aren't they supposed to be advocating for best practices in education for the children?

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**Date: Monday-June 13**

**Time: 3:00 P.M.**

**Room: HR D**

**Health Care**

**Office: 453 Phone: 503-986-1286**

Presiding Co-Chair: Rep. Mitch Greenlick

**Informational Meeting**

**Kaiser Permanente Medical Home Experience and Expansion Plan**

-Katie Traunweiser, Director of Planning and Development, Northwest Permanente

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**Education Subcommittee On Higher Education**

**Date: Tuesday-June 14**

**Time: 1:00 P.M.**

**Room: HR D**

**Education**

**Office: 453 Phone: 503-986-1664**

Note: This meeting will be held in HR D and Co-Chair Johnson will preside

**Informational Meeting**

**Committee Discussion of Interim Priorities**

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**Date: Tuesday-June 14**

**Time: 8:00 A.M.**

**Room: HR F**

**Judiciary**

**Office: 331 Phone: 503-986-1750**

**Informational Meeting**

**The Law Relating to Sex Offenses and Sex Offender Registration**

Joshua Nasbe, Deputy Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Colette S. Peters, Director, Oregon Youth Authority

-Makeup of OYA's Population

-Treatment

-Length of Stay

**-Risk to Re-Offend**

-Common Misperceptions

**Treatment of Juvenile Sex Offenders**

Debbi Martin, Treatment Services Coordinator, Oregon Youth Authority

-Overview of New Curriculum

-Where it is Being Piloted

-Interest in Oregon's Work by Other States

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**Note: these conference committee meetings are not scheduled so if you have comments please send them directly to the participants.**

**Conference Committee on HB 3225**

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**Meets at the Call of the Chair**

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**HB 3225** Specifies conditions under which city street or county road may be constructed or extended on land designated as urban reserve by metropolitan service district.

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Note:

Representatives Bentz, Read appointed House conferees.

Senators Beyer, Edwards, Starr appointed Senate conferees.

From bill summary: "Allows a county to take an exception to a state-wide planning goal to allow a transportation facility to pass through an area designated as urban reserve pursuant to statutory guidelines."

Bill appears to give local control back to a city to build a road extension across state designated lands. Local control of planning is a good idea.

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**Conference Committee on HB 2111**

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**HB 2111** Modifies provisions relating to isolation and quarantine of persons with communicable disease and isolation of property contaminated with toxic substance.

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Representatives Bailey, Greenlick, Thompson, Wand appointed House conferees.

Senators Bates, Kruse, Monnes Anderson appointed Senate conferees. About 10 republicans voted against this measure in the house and about 10 senators of both parties in the senate; including many of the more conservative republicans. Senate added amendments about teen dating violence to this bill and house refused to pass amendments. If these Teen dating amendments are a good idea they should stand alone and be passed as a bill themselves, not be inserted into a bill with absolutely no related parts. From summary of amendments: "Requires school district boards to adopt a policy that: (a) prohibits teen dating violence; (b) incorporates age-appropriate education for students in grades seven through twelve and school employees; (c) establishes procedures for responding to, investigating and imposing discipline for incidents of teen dating violence;" and more provisions as well.

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**Conference Committee on HB 2122**

**Office: 347 Phone: 503-986-1755**

**Meets at the Call of the Chair**

**HB 2122** Prohibits transporting firewood into or within Oregon and selling firewood in Oregon, unless firewood has been harvested in Oregon, Idaho or Washington or firewood meets certain standards.

**Conference Committee on HB 3416**

**Office: 453 Phone: 503-986-1667**

**Meets at the Call of the Chair**

**HB 3416** Establishes World War II Memorial Task Force to solicit private funding and arrange for development, design and construction of memorial to honor Oregon's World War II veterans.

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