

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO.

12-2-1-9

I IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING POSITIONS ON
I LEGISLATIVE ISSUES DURING THE 76TH
I LEGISLATIVE SESSION, 2012 REGULAR SESSION

WHEREAS, Lane County has a keen interest in state legislative activities, and;

WHEREAS, Lane County Government employs an Intergovernmental Relations Manager for the purpose of advocating on behalf of Lane County government at the Oregon Legislature, and;

WHEREAS, the Lane County Board of County Commissioners wishes to communicate their positions on legislative issues to the public and other elected officials, and;

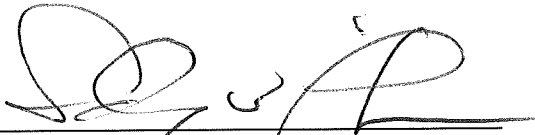
WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee is the established standing committee which exists to fully inform the Lane County Board of Commissioners in a timely fashion on legislative issues, and;

WHEREAS, it has previously been resolved that the Legislative Committee will forward its recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for final approval by the Board of County Commissioners on an as-necessary basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Lane County Board agrees to the positions illustrated in Attachment A, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board Order will officially represent the will of the Board of County Commissioners and may be used by the Intergovernmental Relations Manager to communicate their position to Oregon legislators during the 76th Legislative Assembly, 2012 Regular Session.

DATED this 1st day of February, 2012



Sid Leiken, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

ATTACHMENT A

Lane County, Oregon

Board of County Commissioners

Spreadsheet for Legislative Review

76th Oregon Legislative Assembly

1-Feb-11

Item	House	Bill #	Department	Recommendation	Sponsor	Bill Summary	Staff Analysis
1)	HB	<u>4025</u>	CAO	Support	Committee on Judiciary	Modifies (fixes) language from HB 2712 regarding minimum fine amounts. Modifies (fixes) priority of distributions for partial payments.	HB 2712 was met with very little enthusiasm when it was first rolled out in House Judiciary in 2011. However, due to the sunseting of the work that was established in HB 2287, it became a must-pass bill. There were a number of consequences, especially to Justice Court revenues, on how the bill required that the State be reimbursed totally for its portion of fines regardless of the status of any partial collections. This bill is the fix put forward by the Association of Oregon Counties. BCC should be aware that other related bills may appear (for example the fix bill for the courthouse security funding).
2)	HB	<u>4012</u>	HHS	Support	House Interim Committee on Health Care	Provides legislative approval of Oregon Health Authority proposals for coordinated care organizations.	This is one of four bills related to the implementation of CCO's envisioned by HB 3056 (2011). These are envisioned to be insurance like companies that address the significant changes to health care due to the Affordable Care Act. Lane County has been involved in local collaborations for the better part of the last two years in preparation of this legislation. Amendments are expected. The Governor has asked for a duplicate Senate version of this measure, introduced as SB 1580. The passage of this measure (or the Senate version) is likely the highest single priority for the 2012 session.
3)	HB	<u>4153</u>	HHS	Support	Representative Freeman, Senator Bates	Establishes criteria for coordinated care organizations	This bill has the same relating to clause as HB 4012, but is slightly different in that it lays out the criteria for a CCO statutorily, where the previous bill refers to guidance already established by the Oregon Health Authority, in consultation with the Oregon Health Policy Board. It is also rather silent with respect to governance, a key issue for counties (as true public private partnerships are constitutionally restricted (see Article 11, Section 9). However, should this bill become the vehicle that advances through the session, staff is recommending a support position on this measure to gain the most flexibility with regards to any active lobbying that becomes necessary.
4)	SB	<u>1509</u>	HHS	Support	Senator Bates	Provides legislative approval of Oregon Health Authority proposals for coordinated care organizations.	This bill has the same relating to clause as HB 4012, but is slightly different in that it only repeals previous provisions of law established to develop a procedure for creating Coordinated Care Organizations. It is likely this is a placeholder bill. However, should this bill become the vehicle that advances through the session, staff is recommending a support position on this measure to gain the most flexibility with regards to any active lobbying that becomes necessary.
5)	SB	<u>1580</u>	HHS	Support	at request of Governor Kitzhaber	Provides legislative approval of Oregon Health Authority proposals for coordinated care organizations.	This is the Senate version of HB 4012. However, should this bill become the vehicle that advances through the session, staff is recommending a support position on this measure to gain the most flexibility with regards to any active lobbying that becomes necessary.
6)	SB	<u>1526</u>	CAO	Monitor	Senate Interim Committee on Judiciary	Excludes certain types of communications from meaning of deliberations for purposes of public meetings law.	This bill would exempt any communications amongst elected officials that don't involve a quorum from the definition of deliberation, even if a decision was pending (posted) before the elected body.
7)	HB	<u>4039</u>	A&T	Support	House Interim Committee on Revenue	Senior property tax deferral program reforms	Makes ineligible for tax deferral those seniors that have applied for a reverse mortgage. Requires financial institutions making reverse mortgages to inform client of this ineligibility prior to entering into such agreements.
8)	HB	<u>4082</u>	CF and DA	Monitor	House Interim Committee on Human Services	Transfers Court Appointed Special Advocate authority from the State Commission on Children and Families to the Oregon Volunteers Commission for Voluntary Action and Service.	The elimination of the Oregon Children and Families Commissions has resulted in the need to adjust a variety of statutes. This bill temporarily transfers authority over CASA to another program while advocates seek a permanent home for the program at the Oregon Judicial Department.

14)	SB	<u>1503</u>	HHS	Support	Senate Interim Committee on Health Care, Human Services, and Rural Health Policy for the Oregon Nurses Association	Requires health care workers to receive flu vaccine	Health care workers are exposed to large numbers of patients, many of whom have compromised immune systems.
15)	SB	<u>1507</u>	HHS	Support	Senate Interim Committee on Health Care, Human Services, and Rural Health Policy	Changes procedures around HIV tests provided by health care institutions	Current regulations are deemed particularly cumbersome and time consuming. It is expected that the procedures established by this bill will make getting this test much more convenient without affecting consent related issues. Designed to result in earlier diagnosis and increased testing.
16)	SB	<u>1522</u>	HHS	Support	Senate Interim Committee on General Government, Consumer and Small Business Protection	Provides additional priorities for provision of CCO, and other related services under the authority of the Oregon Health Authority.	This bill clarifies that the concept of a global budget includes the resources necessary to serve patients with greater needs and also those with psychological, social, and physical barriers to receiving quality care. It prohibits the Oregon Health Authority from entering into an agreement with a coordinated care organization unless it demonstrates it has taken into account certain factors related to the members it will serve (related to psychological and social factors, such as homelessness, language barriers, substance abuse, mental illness, and urban or rural geographic distribution).
17)	SB	<u>1529</u>	A&T	Monitor	Senate Interim Committee on Finance and Revenue	Requires Department of Revenue to establish separate class for real property machinery and equipment.	Requires assessor to set up separate tax accounts for real property machinery and equipment. Currently that value is part of the overall real property value for industrial accounts (land+building and structures+machinery & equipment). Once it is removed to a separate account it will no longer be included in the changed property ratio calculation for industrial property. For Lane County that will result in approximately 400 additional accounts to manage and create tax statements for and it will take approximately 1,600 hours of staff time to implement this bill if passed. There is no funding provided to the county to implement it.
18)	SB	<u>1532</u>	A&T	Monitor	Senate Interim Committee on Finance and Revenue	Clarifies that property subject to central assessment may be granted enterprise zone exemption	This bill has become known as the "Facebook" bill in that the company is concerned that it will be centrally assessed due to it now having a presence in Prineville (in an enterprise zone). Department of Revenue is also pursuing an Administrative Rule to ensure that these kinds of businesses are not subject to central assessment. The concern is that without this legislation, a chilling effect would occur with regards to the larger social enterprise type businesses that otherwise might find Oregon an attractive place to site facilities and employ Oregonians.