

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

April 28, 2023

Ontario, OR

05:00 p.m.

FULL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Elizabeth Steiner, Co-Chair
Sen. Wlinsvey Campos
Sen. Michael Dembrow
Sen. Lynn Findley
Sen. Lew Frederick
Sen. Sara Gelsner Blouin
Sen. Bill Hansell
Sen. Janeen Sollman

Rep. Tawna Sanchez, Co-Chair
Rep. Jami Cate
Rep. Paul Evans
Rep. Paul Holvey
Rep. Rick Lewis
Rep. Khanh Pham

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Mark Owens, Natural Resources

FULL COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Sen. Fred Girod, Co-Vice Chair
Sen. Dick Anderson
Sen. Tim Knopp

Rep. David Gomberg, Co-Vice Chair
Rep. Greg Smith, Co-Vice Chair
Rep. Vikki Breese-Iverson
Rep. Susan McLain
Rep. E. Werner Reschke
Rep. Andrea Valderrama

STAFF PRESENT:

Amanda Beitel, Legislative Fiscal Officer
Doug Wilson, Legislative Fiscal Office
Kristen Adams, Committee Assistant
Megan Bass, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS:

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

00:01:16 [Meeting Called to Order](#)
00:01:18 Senator Steiner, Presiding Co-Chair

00:01:27 [SB 5506 Community Hearing](#)
00:01:29 Co-Chair Steiner
00:01:40 Sen. Findley
00:02:19 Dan Joyce, Judge, Malheur County
00:02:57 Sen. Findley

00:03:26 Co-Chair Steiner
00:04:19 Sen. Sollman
00:04:27 Rep. Lewis
00:04:37 Rep. Cate
00:04:46 Sen. Frederick
00:04:56 Sen. Campos
00:05:08 Sen. Dembrow
00:05:23 Sen. Hansell
00:05:36 Sen. Findley
00:05:54 Co-Chair Steiner
00:06:09 Co-Chair Sanchez
00:06:16 Rep. Owens
00:06:27 Rep. Evans
00:06:34 Rep. Holvey
00:06:41 Rep. Pham
00:06:48 Sen. Gelser Blouin
00:07:02 Co-Chair Steiner
00:11:22 Co-Chair Sanchez
00:12:56 Tom Vialpando, Mayor, City of Vale
00:15:02 Scott Officer, Mayor, City of Prairie City
00:17:09 Kristen Shelman, Commissioner, Harney County
00:18:36 Ron Jacobs, County Commissioner, Malheur County
00:20:42 Dan Dorrان, Commissioner, Umatilla County
00:22:51 Kelly Simmelink, Commissioner, Jefferson County Commissioners
00:25:02 Seth Crawford, Judge, Crook County Court
00:26:56 Paul Anderes, Commissioner, Union County
00:28:59 Andrew Maeda, Executive Director, Ontario Recreation District
00:31:39 John Rowell, Commissioner, Grant County
00:32:27 Shane Alderson, Commission Chair, Baker County Board of Commissioners
00:33:39 Eduardo Melendrez, Community Organizer, Oregon Food Bank
00:35:20 Todd Nash, Commissioner, Wallowa County
00:37:23 Kelly Poe, Eastern Oregon Early Learning Hub, Malheur Education Service District
00:39:25 Dr. Ronda Fritz, Eastern Oregon University
00:41:49 Justice Rajee, Executive Director, Reimagine Oregon
00:42:47 RaeAnn Butler, Baker Relief Nursery Inc
00:44:47 Dr. Mark Browning, Blue Mountain Community College
00:46:44 Thomas Huffman, Alumnus, Eastern Oregon University
00:48:47 Richard Chaves, Co-President, Eastern Oregon University
00:50:42 Ken Hart, Chief Executive Officer, Valley Family Health Care
00:52:41 Priscilla Valero, Eastern Oregon University
00:55:02 Chelsey Estrada, RHEC Manager, Eastern Oregon Health Equity Alliance
00:57:07 Maureen Niland Stokes, Witco Inc
00:59:10 Thomas Birkmaier, Birkmaier Ranch Inc

- 01:01:14 Lindsay Grosvenor, Strategic Partnerships Program Manager, Oregon Food Bank
- Southeast Oregon Services
- 01:03:42 Paula Hall, Community Action Program of East Central Oregon
- 01:05:45 John Williams, Wolf Committee Co-Chair, Oregon Cattleman's Association
- 01:07:37 John Albertson, Landowner
- 01:09:46 John Kirby, Ontario City Council
- 01:11:38 Joseph Hull, President, Round-Up City Development Corporation
- 01:14:07 Lodi Presley, Harney County Community Corrections
- 01:15:42 Nickie Shira, President, Adrian 2040
- 01:17:46 Michael Iwai, Chief of Police, Ontario Police Department
- 01:20:00 Debbie Folden, Mayor, City of Ontario
- 01:21:31 Elizabeth Hoffman, Executive Director, Pioneer Relief Nursery
- 01:23:34 Robb Corbett, City Manager, City of Pendleton
- 01:25:38 Travis Johnson, Sheriff, Malheur County Sheriff's Office
- 01:27:43 Grant Kitamura, Baker Murakami Produce
- 01:30:10 Jaecie Lopez, Owner and Director, Wiggles and Giggles Childcare
- 01:32:13 Curtis Martin, Cattle Producers Science Committee, Juniper Mountain Land
Livestock LLC
- 01:34:18 Dana Castellani, Boys and Girls Club of Western Treasure Valley
- 01:36:48 Rylie Stokes, Chapter President, Future Farmers of America
- 01:39:00 Bartola Niebla, Teacher, Euvalcree
- 01:43:18 Susan Robinett, Malheur County Child Development Center
- 01:45:21 Brittney Jackson, Director, Pendleton Children's Center
- 01:47:26 Dana Tuckness, Ontario
- 01:49:17 David Gravener, SEIU Local 503
- 01:51:24 Cheryl Martin, Chair, Board of Trustees, Eastern Oregon University
- 01:53:32 Elizabeth Callison, Retired Nurse
- 01:55:36 Adriana Juarez, Student, Eastern Oregon University
- 01:57:40 Matthew Stringer, Commissioner, Oregon Arts Commission
- 01:59:47 Yesenia Hernandez, Program Support Specialist, Euvalcree
- 02:01:47 Demi Neill, CASA of Eastern Oregon
- 02:03:21 Melissa Petschauer, Harney Basin Ecological Coordinator, High Desert
Partnership
- 02:05:39 Danny Johnson, Vice-Chair, Eastern Oregon Mining Association
- 02:08:12 Jeffrey Williams, Director of Housing Services, Eastern Oregon Center for
Independent Living
- 02:10:11 Dr. Dana Young, President, Treasure Valley Community College
- 02:12:15 David Slaght, City Administrator, City of Echo
- 02:13:49 Jeffrey Blake, Fire Chief, Jefferson County Fire and EMS
- 02:15:24 Mike McLane, Attorney, Crook County
- 02:17:28 Lynelle Christiani, Executive Director, Four Rivers Cultural Center and Museum
- 02:19:28 Co-Chair Steiner
- 02:20:32 **Meeting Adjourned**