

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

March 18, 2025
03:00 PM

Hearing Room H-174

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Aaron Woods, Co-Chair
Sen. Mark Meek
Sen. Bruce Starr

Rep. David Gomberg, Co-Chair
Rep. Daniel Nguyen
Rep. Alek Skarlatos
Rep. Mari Watanabe

MEMBER(S) EXCUSED:

Rep. Jami Cate

STAFF PRESENT:

Michelle Deister, Legislative Fiscal Office
Jade Briski, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS:

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

00:00:26 [Meeting Called to Order](#)
00:00:27 Senator Woods, Presiding Co-Chair
00:00:55 Michelle Deister, Legislative Fiscal Office
00:01:35 Co-Chair Woods

00:01:40 [HB 5024 Oregon Business and Development Department](#)
00:02:54 Jessica Metta, Executive Director, Mid-Columbia Economic Development District
00:04:47 Kemberly Todd, Technical Assistance Coordinator, CCD Business Development Corporation

00:08:04 Brandi Ferguson, Interim Executive Director, McKenzie Community Land Trust
00:10:57 Joseph Wyno, President, Executive Director, Oregon UAS Accelerator, Center of Innovation Excellence

00:13:18 Ian Annase, Founder, Zing Drone Solutions
00:15:38 Sierra Trass, Small Business Specialist, Columbia Economic Team
00:18:32 Don Hendrickson, Interim Executive Director, OMIC R&D
00:20:37 Dana Whitelaw, President, Board of Directors, Cultural Advocacy Coalition of Oregon

00:23:36 Kimberly Branam, Chief Trade and Economic Development Officer, Port of Portland

00:26:33 Abby Guyer, Executive Director, Xcelerate Women

00:29:12 Rick Tankersley, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies, Portland State University

00:32:04 Janice Mason, Co-Chair, Community Economic Coalition

00:34:41 Lacey Beaty, Mayor, Metropolitan Mayors' Consortium

00:37:06 Tim Rosener, Mayor, Metropolitan Mayors' Consortium

00:39:52 Delores Edwards, Program Director, Oregon's Apex Accelerator

00:42:17 Tuan Phamdo, Health Technology Innovations Inc.

00:44:08 Frank Lau, CEO and Founder, Keliomics Inc.

00:45:58 MyKel Johnson, Oregon Resource Navigator, Northwest Native Chamber

00:48:06 Eduardo Ceballos, CEO, xBiologix Inc

00:50:22 Anshuman Razdan, Vice President of Research and Innovation, University of Oregon

00:51:25 Edward Israel, OnAdditive

00:53:11 Juan Carlos Ramos, Senior Manager, Engineering, HP, Inc

00:55:45 Trevor Nicks, Co-Founder and CTO, Caravel Bio, Inc.

00:57:36 Gaby Cruz Thompson, Director, Corporate University Research, Intel Corporation

01:01:22 John Harkness, Founder and CEO, Rewire AI

01:03:53 JL Wilson, Legislative Counsel, Oregon Metals Initiative

01:06:04 John Parmigiani, Director of Industrial Research, Oregon State University

01:08:16 Co-Chair Woods

01:08:48 Jenna Jones, Lobbyist, League of Oregon Cities

01:11:23 Duke Shepard, Senior Policy Director, Oregon Business and Industry

01:13:57 Dana Hepper, Director of Policy and Advocacy, Childrens Institute

01:16:55 Liisa Bozinovic, Oregon Bioscience Association

01:19:55 Ariel Nelson, Government Relations Manager, City of Hillsboro

01:22:27 Elizabeth Remley

01:25:22 Anneliese Koehler

01:27:02 Co-Chair Woods

01:27:49 Mark Gregory, State Director, Oregon SBDC

01:30:08 Michael Vanier, President, OMEP

01:32:43 Tom Potiwsky, Senior Advisor, NERC

01:35:41 Co-Chair Woods

01:36:13 Michelle Deister, Legislative Fiscal Office

01:36:27 Co-Chair Gomberg

01:36:29 Ms. Deister

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01:37:01 Co-Chair Woods

01:37:06 Meeting Adjourned