

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

March 5, 2025
08:00 AM

Hearing Room B

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Lew Frederick, Chair
Sen. Suzanne Weber, Vice-Chair
Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin
Sen. Noah Robinson
Sen. Janeen Sollman

STAFF PRESENT: Lisa Gezelter, LPRO Analyst
Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst
Chris Bechtel, LPRO Fellow
Mike Reiley, Sr. Committee Assistant

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

MEASURES/ISSUES: SB 720 – Work Session
SB 768 – Work Session
SB 933 – Work Session
SB 979 – Public Hearing
SB 981 – Public Hearing
SB 982 – Public Hearing
SB 934 – Public Hearing
SB 948 – Public Hearing

00:00:01 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:02 Chair Frederick

00:05:33 [SB 720 - Work Session](#)
00:05:34 Chair Frederick

00:05:50 Lisa Gezelter, LPRO Analyst

00:06:44 MOTION: SEN. GELSER BLOUIN MOVES SB 720 DO PASS AND BE
REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS BY
PRIOR REFERENCE

00:07:09 Sen. Sollman

00:08:03 Sen. Robinson

00:08:26 VOTE: 3-1-1

AYE: GELSER BLOUIN, SOLLMAN, FREDERICK

NAY: ROBINSON

EXCUSED: WEBER

00:08:52 [SB 768 - Work Session](#)
00:08:53 Chair Frederick

00:09:09 Chris Bechtel, LPRO Fellow
00:09:41 MOTION: SEN. GELSER BLOUIN MOVES SB 768 DO PASS AND BE REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS BY PRIOR REFERENCE
00:10:50 Sen. Sollman
00:11:10 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: GELSER BLOUIN, ROBINSON, SOLLMAN, FREDERICK
EXCUSED: WEBER

00:12:20 **SB 933 - Work Session**
00:12:21 Chair Frederick
00:12:28 Lisa Gezelter, LPRO Analyst
00:13:06 MOTION: SEN. GELSER BLOUIN MOVES TO ADOPT THE -3 AMENDMENTS
00:13:41 Sen. Gelser Blouin
00:14:02 Sen. Sollman
00:15:41 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: GELSER BLOUIN, ROBINSON, SOLLMAN, FREDERICK
EXCUSED: WEBER
00:16:00 MOTION: SEN. GELSER BLOUIN MOVES SB 933 DO PASS AS AMENDED AND BE REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
00:16:24 Sen. Robinson
00:19:31 VOTE: 3-1-1
AYE: GELSER BLOUIN, SOLLMAN, FREDERICK
NAY: ROBINSON
EXCUSED: WEBER

00:20:38 **SB 979 - Public Hearing**
00:20:39 Chair Frederick
00:20:48 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst
00:22:38 Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin, Senate District 8
00:27:03 Teresa Alonso Leon, former state representative; Oregon Community Table on Postsecondary Education and Training (OCTPET); CAPACES Leadership Institute
00:32:35 Joie Beasley-Bennett, student, Oregon State University
00:34:50 Kay Heston, disability advocate; former member, Oregon Student Association
00:44:25 Mary Morningstar, Director, Career and Community Studies Program, Portland State University
00:47:33 Deirdre Schafer, student, Eastern Oregon University
00:50:43 Andrew Caruana, graduate student, Oregon State University-Cascades
00:54:49 Travis Leatham, Staff Attorney, Disability Rights Oregon
01:05:16 Amity Givens, resident, Portland
01:08:11 Jenessa Stemke, former student, Oregon Health and Science University

01:13:12 **SB 981 - Public Hearing**

01:13:13 Chair Frederick

01:13:28 Lisa Gezelter, LPRO Analyst

01:13:47 Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin, Senate District 8

01:16:35 Sen. Sollman

01:18:11 **SB 982 - Public Hearing**

01:18:12 Chair Frederick

01:18:18 Lisa Gezelter, LPRO Analyst

01:18:50 Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin, Senate District 8

01:23:17 **SB 934 - Work Session**

01:23:18 Chair Frederick

01:23:33 Lisa Gezelter, LPRO Analyst

01:23:50 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR WEBER MOVES TO ADOPT THE -1
AMENDMENTS

01:24:12 Sen. Sollman

01:24:20 Sen. Robinson

01:25:19 VOTE: 5-0-0

AYE: GELSER BLOUIN, ROBINSON, SOLLMAN, WEBER, FREDERICK

01:25:44 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR WEBER MOVES SB 934 DO PASS AS
AMENDED

01:26:35 VOTE: 4-1-0

AYE: GELSER BLOUIN, ROBINSON, WEBER, FREDERICK

NAY: SOLLMAN

01:27:06 **SB 948 - Work Session**

01:27:07 Chair Frederick

01:27:15 Lisa Gezelter, LPRO Analyst

01:27:26 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR WEBER MOVES SB 948 DO PASS AND BE
REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

01:27:50 Sen. Sollman

01:28:50 Sen. Robinson

01:28:57 Sen. Gelser Blouin

01:31:03 Vice-Chair Weber

01:32:30 VOTE: 4-1-0

AYE: GELSER BLOUIN, ROBINSON, WEBER, FREDERICK

NAY: SOLLMAN

01:33:59 Meeting Adjourned