

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,
FEDERAL AND WORLD AFFAIRS**

February 27, 2025
01:00 PM

Hearing Room B

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. James Manning Jr., Chair
Sen. Kim Thatcher, Vice-Chair
Sen. Mark Meek
Sen. David Brock Smith
Sen. Aaron Woods

STAFF PRESENT: Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
Omar Saradi, Committee Assistant

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

MEASURES/ISSUES: SB 823 – Work Session
SB 459 – Public Hearing
SB 150 – Public Hearing
SB 667 – Public Hearing

00:00:02 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:03 Chair Manning Jr.

00:00:49 [SB 823 - Work Session](#)
00:00:50 Chair Manning Jr.
00:01:01 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:01:27 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES SB 823 DO PASS
00:01:41 Sen. Brock Smith
00:03:25 Sen. Meek
00:03:49 Meeting Recessed
00:03:54 Meeting Reconvened
00:04:58 Meeting Recessed
00:05:05 Meeting Reconvened
00:05:12 VICE-CHAIR THATCHER RESCINDS THE MOTION

00:05:53 [SB 459 - Public Hearing](#)
00:05:54 Chair Manning Jr.
00:06:02 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:06:35 Sen. Suzanne Weber, Senate District 16
00:11:13 Sen. Brock Smith

00:12:01 [SB 150 - Public Hearing](#)

00:12:02 Chair Manning Jr.
00:12:11 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:14:01 Benjamin Tipton, retired US Army Major; Special Project Officer, Accounts Administrator, Veterans Guardian VA Claim Consulting
00:18:13 Lisa Kalkes, US Army veteran; Chief Marketing Officer, Vice President, Public Affairs, Veteran Benefits Guide
00:20:29 Julie Parrish, Chief of Staff, Office of Sen. Cedric Hayden, Senate District 6
00:28:54 Kimberly McCullough, Senior Counsel for Government Relations, Oregon Judicial Department

00:32:41 **SB 667 - Public Hearing**
00:32:42 Chair Manning Jr.
00:32:48 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:33:23 Sen. Diane Linthicum, Senate District 28
00:35:19 Vice-Chair Thatcher
00:37:32 Rep. Alex Skarlatos, House District 4
00:40:18 Sen. Brock Smith
00:44:12 Dan Handelman, Peace and Justice Works
00:47:13 Annie Kallen, Chair, Libertarian Party of Multnomah County
00:50:05 Marrion Kaufman, resident, Clackamas County
00:51:53 Marvin Sandnes, resident, Salem
00:52:16 Julie Bivens, resident, Creswell
00:53:45 Anna Munson, resident, Salem
00:57:39 Chuck Fall, Green Liberty Caucus, Pacific Green Party
01:00:12 Rick Staggenborg, Dr., President, Linus Pauling Chapter 132, Veterans for Peace
01:03:26 Dan Pulju, Co-Director, Antiwar Oregon
01:07:06 Ibra Taher, resident, Eugene
01:10:23 Sen. Meek
01:12:47 Will Hobson, Vice Chair, Libertarian Party of Oregon
01:15:12 Tim Cowan, resident, Salem
01:20:30 Meeting Adjourned