

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

March 11, 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: SCR 23 – Work Session
HCR – Public Hearing
SB 823 – Work Session
SB 826 – Work Session
SB 159 – Public Hearing
HB 2341 – Public Hearing
SCR 26 – Public Hearing

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

00:01:13 **SCR 23 - Work Session**
00:01:14 Chair Manning Jr.
00:01:23 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:01:46 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES SCR 23 BE ADOPTED
00:02:19 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, WOODS, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: BROCK SMITH
CARRIER: SEN. MANNING JR.

00:03:27 **HCR 2 - Public Hearing**
00:03:28 Chair Manning Jr.
00:03:34 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:03:57 Rep. Dacia Grayber, House District 28
00:08:28 Sen. Woods
00:10:50 Alan Ferschweiler, Legislative Director, Oregon State Fire Fighters Council

00:13:43 Ben Stange, Fire Chief, Polk County Fire District No.1; Special Districts Association of Oregon Fire Districts Service Chapter, Oregon Fire Chiefs Association

00:15:54 Cathy Keathley, Councilor, Gresham City Council

00:19:36 **SB 823 - Work Session**

00:19:37 Chair Manning Jr.

00:19:43 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst

00:20:04 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES SB 823 DO PASS

00:20:16 Sen. Brock Smith

00:20:34 VOTE: 5-0-0

AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, WOODS, THATCHER, MANNING JR.

CARRIER: SEN. BROCK SMITH

00:21:12 **SB 826 - Work Session**

00:21:13 Chair Manning Jr.

00:21:20 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst

00:22:14 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES TO ADOPT THE -1 AMENDMENTS

00:22:27 VOTE: 5-0-0

AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, WOODS, THATCHER, MANNING JR.

00:22:46 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES SB 826 DO PASS AS AMENDED

00:23:06 Vice-Chair Thatcher

00:23:22 VOTE: 5-0-0

AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, WOODS, THATCHER, MANNING JR.

CARRIER: SEN. WOODS

00:23:48 **SB 159 - Public Hearing**

00:23:49 Chair Manning Jr.

00:23:55 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst

00:24:22 Sen. Mark Meek, Senate District 20

00:27:55 Sen. Brock Smith

00:29:22 Amy Joyce, Administrator, Driver and Motor Vehicle Division, Oregon Department of Transportation

00:31:44 Sen. Meek

00:39:36 Laurie Kimmell, retired US Air Force Master Sergeant, Deschutes County

00:42:10 **HB 2341 - Public Hearing**

00:42:11 Chair Manning Jr.

00:42:21 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst

00:43:25 Vice-Chair Thatcher

00:44:34 Sen. Meek

00:45:50 **SCR 26 - Public Hearing**

00:45:51 Chair Manning Jr.

00:45:57 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:46:39 Sen. Brock Smith
00:49:59 Sen. Woods
00:56:36 Meeting Adjourned