

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

April 8, 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

MEMBER(S) EXCUSED: Sen. Aaron Woods

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

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

MEASURES/ISSUES: HCR 23 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 596 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 761 – Reconsideration and Work Session

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

00:00:38 **HCR 23 - Public Hearing**
00:00:39 Chair Manning Jr.
00:00:47 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:01:22 Rep. Rick Lewis, House District 18
00:06:07 Bonnie Gilbert, daughter, Wake Island WWII survivor
00:11:05 Dick Tobiason, Chairman, Bend Heroes Foundation
00:13:33 Vice-Chair Thatcher

00:19:03 **HCR 23 - Work Session**
00:19:04 Chair Manning Jr.
00:19:22 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES TO ADOPT THE -2
AMENDMENTS
00:19:38 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: WOODS
00:19:45 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES HCR 23 BE ADOPTED AS
AMENDED
00:20:04 Sen. Meek

00:20:49 Vice-Chair Thatcher
00:21:02 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: WOODS
CARRIER: SEN. THATCHER

00:21:53 **SB 596 - Public Hearing**
00:21:54 Chair Manning Jr.
00:22:04 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
00:23:35 Aiden Dopson, Office of Sen. Wlnsvey Campos, Senate District 18
00:26:01 Ramiro Navarro Jr., Coordinator, Veterans Caucus
00:27:41 Amy Joyce, Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Administrator, Oregon
Department of Transportation

00:29:08 **SB 596 - Work Session**
00:29:09 Chair Manning Jr.
00:29:16 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES TO ADOPT THE -1
AMENDMENTS
00:29:33 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: WOODS
00:29:49 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES SB 596 DO PASS AS
AMENDED AND BE REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS
AND MEANS
00:30:24 Sen. Meek
00:31:10 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: WOODS

00:32:03 **SB 761 - Reconsideration and Work Session**
00:32:04 Chair Manning Jr.
00:32:14 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES THAT THE RULES BE
SUSPENDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECONSIDERING THE VOTE
ON SB 761
00:33:23 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: WOODS
00:34:09 MOTION: SEN. BROCK SMITH MOVES TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE
BY WHICH SB 761 WAS MOVED WITH A DO PASS AS AMENDED
RECOMMENDATION
00:35:16 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: WOODS
00:35:36 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES TO ADOPT THE -4
AMENDMENTS

00:35:48 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: WOODS

00:35:58 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR THATCHER MOVES SB 761 DO PASS AS
AMENDED AND SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO THE JOINT
COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS BE RESCINDED

00:36:25 Vice-Chair Thatcher

00:36:29 Sen. Brock Smith

00:36:55 VOTE: 4-0-1
AYE: MEEK, BROCK SMITH, THATCHER, MANNING JR.
EXCUSED: WOODS
CARRIER: SEN. NASH

00:38:02 Meeting Adjourned