

Secretary: Vote explanation please. Sen Boquist

SB 1576 was on the floor a day early. Another omnibus bill inappropriate for the short session. The Uniparty suspended the Oregon Constitution to hear it early as they wanted Friday off instead of showing up at the Capitol tomorrow. A nine line summary of the 11 page bill was handed out to members on the Floor. The description of the bill on the floor by Senators did not match input this Senator had from constituents. Statements on the Floor that the bill would fix recreational access were contrary to facts presented to this Senator. This Senator has zero faith in assurances of the bill's impact by non-Senators today. Know sections seriously increase the liability in state highway rights of way, yet, those sections were never vetted with the Joint Transportation Committee. Expanding Attorney General authorities is a serious mistake against citizens. Once again, an omnibus bill with good, bad, and maybe worse consequences has passed the Senate when each issue should have been vetted in public, not secret, during the long session. Another example of the "police state" authorized by the Oregon Supreme Court. No on SB 1576 was the floor vote.