

Bill: 'I didn't think it was going to be this big a deal'

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Johnson, who has deferred questions about the bill to Boone, said there was a lot of confusion surrounding the legislation and people jumping to their own conclusions before Boone asked that it be withdrawn.

Boone's bill would have required records requesters to state in writing "with particularity" a description of the records and how they will be used. She had yet to hammer out how much particularity requesters would need.

"I didn't think it was going to be this big a deal, for one thing," Boone said.

Johnson, already busy, was receiving significant input on the bill, both good and bad, Boone said. "Mostly the press didn't like it," she said.

The bill drew criticism from the news media, especially over an initial claim by Boone that journalists don't pay for records, a view she later admitted was incorrect. The legislation was first reported on by The Oregonian's Gordon Friedman, who balked at the requirement of stating with particularity the records he

seeks when he might not know whether they exist.

Boone claimed the bill was not meant to curb transparency, but to get records requestors to state their purpose in general terms to more efficiently direct the process. The bill was also meant to avoid people having to turn over private information unrelated to a records request, she said.

"I will fight to the death for people's privacy," Boone said.

A report last year by the state's public records advocate found that governments often unreasonably delay releasing public records or charge too much for access. The public records law has also been criticized for the more than 500 exemptions carved out over the years.

Boone's legislation was one of 11 new public records bills this legislative session. Others would reduce public records fees from state agencies by half, award attorney fees against public bodies that don't respond to requests in a timely manner, explore creating a chief privacy officer position and prohibit using personal email for official business.

Fees: Hiatus 'not indefinite'

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The seafood industry has been in tough times since 2005, with the number of major processors at the Port dwindling from five to two, Wang said.

"There is limited supply of raw material and bottom-line issues with the business," he said. "I think any tariff would discourage landing (and) as a result increase cost for business and therefore (worse) results for all parties."

The Port had reached out to others along the West Coast between Newport and Seattle, but was not able to glean much useful information, Knight said. What was clear was that no other regional port charged landing fees directly on processors, although Knight said Newport, another large fishing port, has considered them.

Kent Gibson, the commercial harbor master in Newport, said the port has talked about additional seafood landing fees over the years as a way to bring in extra revenue to help address millions of dollars worth of deferred maintenance.

"I think it would be some extra income to the



Edward Stratton/The Daily Astorian

The Port of Astoria has entered dire financial straits with the decrepit docks and a log export business drying up amid a trade war between the U.S. and China.

port," he said. "The fishermen never like it, and it's really something hard to track, unless you get landing tickets from the state."

But unlike Astoria, the majority of Newport's processors are off port property, aside from a smaller operation run by Pacific Seafoods. Newport does charge fees on the dock for hoists, forklifts and other services.

Teri Dresler, interim general manager at the port in Newport, said the agency has brainstormed and spoken with tenants about additional landing fees and how to place the money in specific accounts for projects that benefit the fishing fleet.

"Folks seemed open to

the concept," she said. "We need to do some research, come back with a specific set of fees."

"We're always worried about pricing people out of our moorage, so we're very thoughtful as we go through the process," she said.

Decaying infrastructure

Mark Landauer, executive director of the Oregon Public Ports Association, said decaying infrastructure is the biggest issue facing the state's 23 public ports. Agencies have had to get creative in creating additional revenue, from public-private partnerships to several ports along the Ore-

gon Coast operating RV parks.

"It's one means to an end," Landauer said. "It can produce new revenue for a port that can theoretically put that money toward delayed or defrayed maintenance."

Knight said it will take Port staff time to internally reach out to more ports, research the ramifications of seafood landing fees and bring back a workable proposal that will withstand criticism.

"It's not indefinite," he said about the hiatus regarding potential new fees. "But I think I'm going to need a couple months to work these issues through."

Port: 'FEMA has no intention of funding storm damage to our Pier II'

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"We are still processing claim requests and reimbursements with FEMA," Knight wrote in an email last week to the Department of Transportation canceling the grant. "However, it has become clear that FEMA has no intention of funding storm damage to our Pier II."

Using the grant to repair the dock on Pier 2, while not addressing the underlying issues, would be a waste of money, Knight said, and returning the grant to the state preserves the relationship for future requests.

Knight's decision has drawn heat from one of his regular detractors, Port Commissioner Bill

Hunsinger, who took out an ad in The Daily Astorian to voice his displeasure.

"Port staff continues to operate without publicly telling the commission what is going on," Hunsinger wrote.

The state has ceased offering Connect Oregon infrastructure grants through this year while it funds several specific multimodal projects around the state.

Katie Thiel, program manager of Connect Oregon, said the money meant for the Port will go toward funding those projects. The future availability of Connect Oregon grants will depend on revenue returns from a new 1 percent tax on the sales of vehicles, she said.

Library: 'We are here to listen to every side'

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City Councilor Tom Brownson said he trusted Library Director Jimmy Pearson's judgment and thanked him "for allowing diversity to flourish."

Last year's event, which occurred during the city's celebration of Pride Week, was advertised on the library's Facebook page and triggered no outcry in the community, Pearson said. This year's event was promoted in the same way.

Pearson is not sure what changed.

Library staff have received a number of calls and messages about the event in recent weeks. The more passionate and, at times, concerning objections have mostly come from people who do not live in Astoria.

Pearson plans to proceed with the reading, but is taking precautions

to ensure it is safe for everyone. He has kept city leaders updated and is in communication with the Astoria Police Department.

Both Pearson and Police Chief Geoff Spalding have spoken with the event's primary opponent, Warrenton resident Miles Rudduck.

Rudduck has been active on social media, campaigning against the event. He has told his followers he wants to end the event peacefully.

Rudduck spoke in opposition to the reading event on Monday, but left City Hall quickly and did not hear the council's response to his comments. The other man who opposed the event stayed to listen.

"I understand it's about diversity and welcoming people into our community and making children feel safe. I'm totally 100 percent in agreement with that," Rudduck said.

His problem seemed primarily to be with where searches of drag queens

might lead people, the life of an 11-year-old self-described "drag kid" from New York City and what message the event, overall, might send to children.

City Councilor Jessamyn West, who supports the event, said it was difficult to hear the assumptions that were being made. One man had said the library would never allow a representa-

tive of the Ku Klux Klan to speak to children, but they would allow a drag queen.

West said that, unlike the KKK, none of the performers involved in the reading will be passing on a message of hate. But she thanked the two men for coming and voicing their concerns.

"We are here to listen to every side," she said.

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TUESDAY EVENING		A - Charter Astoria/Seaside - L - Charter Long Beach										FEbruary 5	
A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
2	KATU (2)	News (N)	News (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel of Fortune	Am. Housewife (N)	Kids-Alright (N)	Black-ish (N)	Splitting Up (N)	The Rookie "Caught Stealing" (N)	News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel	
4	KOMO (4)	KOMO 4 News at 6pm (N)	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Am. Housewife (N)	Kids-Alright (N)	Black-ish (N)	Splitting Up (N)	The Rookie "Caught Stealing" (N)	KOMO4News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel		
5	KING (5)	NBC News (N)	KING 5 News	Evening	Ellen's Game of Games	This Is Us	NBCIS: New Orleans "X" (N)	FBI	NBCIS: New Orleans "X" (N)	KING 5 News (N)	(35) Tonight Show		
6	KOIN (6)	KOIN Local 6 (N)	Evening News (N)	Extra	Ent. Tonight	NBCIS "She" (N)	FBI	NBCIS: New Orleans "X" (N)	KIRO 7 News (N)	(35) Colbert			
7	KIRO (7)	KIRO 7 News (N)	Evening News (N)	KIRO 7 News (N)	Ent. Tonight	NBCIS "She" (N)	FBI	NBCIS: New Orleans "X" (N)	KIRO 7 News (N)	(35) Colbert			
8	KGW (8)	KGW News at 6:00 p.m. (N)	Tonight Cassidy	Inside Edition	Ellen's Game of Games	This Is Us	New Amsterdam	News (N)	Friends	Two and a Half	Two and a Half		
9	KRCW (9)	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	The Flash "Goldfaced" (N)	Roswell, New Mexico (N)	News (N)	Friends	Two and a Half	Two and a Half		
10	KOPB (10)	Ask-Old House	Nightly Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	Finding/Roots "Freedom Tales" (N)	American Experience "Sealab" (N)	Frontline (N)	Craft in America	Visionaries				
12	KPTV (12)	6 O'Clock News (N)	Family Feud (N)	Family Feud (N)	Lethal Weapon "Coyote Ugly" (N)	The Gifted "calaMity" (N)	10 O'Clock News (N)	News (N)	Page Six TV				
13	KPDx (13)	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	9pm Prime News (N)	Big Bang Theory	Family Guy	American Dad!	The Game			
13	KCPX (13)	Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Lethal Weapon "Coyote Ugly" (N)	The Gifted "calaMity" (N)	Q13 NEWS AT 10 (N)	News (N)	The Simpsons			
20	TBS (20)	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan (N)	New Girl		
22	KZJO (22)	Black-ish	Black-ish	Mom	Modern Family	Mom	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9 (N)	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Two and a Half	Two and a Half	
23	ESPN (23)	NCAA Basketball (L)	SportsCenter (N)	SportsCenter (N)	SportsCenter (N)	SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)	SportsCenter (N)	The Ariel Helwani MMA Show (N)	Now or Never	UFC Archival			
29	ESPN2 (29)	NCAA Basketball (L)	NCAA Basketball San Diego State at New Mexico (L)	Double Dare	Double Dare	To Be Announced	Friends	(35) Friends					
31	NICK (31)	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	Double Dare	Double Dare	To Be Announced	Friends	(35) Friends			
32	DISN (32)	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Stuck in the Middle	Coop & Cami	Coop & Cami	Coop & Cami	Coop & Cami	Coop & Cami	Coop & Cami			
34	FAM (34)	★ ★ The Waterboy (1998, Comedy) Kathy Bates, Henry Winkler, Adam Sandler.	Good Trouble (N)	★ ★ Big Daddy (1999, Comedy) Joey Lauren Adams, Jon Stewart, Adam Sandler.	★ Firestorm (1998, Action) Scott Glenn, Howie Long.	(50) ★ Firestorm (1998, Action) Scott Glenn, Howie Long.	(50) Live "Krista and Redmond" (P) (N)	(50) Live "Krista and Redmond"					
35	FMC (35)	Movie	(50) ★ ★ Deepwater Horizon (2016, Action) Kurt Russell, John Malkovich, Mark Wahlberg.	★ Firestorm (1998, Action) Scott Glenn, Howie Long.	(50) ★ Firestorm (1998, Action) Scott Glenn, Howie Long.	(50) Live "Krista and Redmond" (P) (N)	(50) Live "Krista and Redmond"						
38	LIFE (38)	Grey's A. "Drowning on Dry Land"	Married1stSight "Honey, I'm Home?"	Love Unlocked (N) Married at First Sight	Love Unlocked (N) Married at First Sight	Hot Rod	Chronicle the life of the great Rod Hundley.	Poker					
39	ROOT (39)	Cliff Diving	Mark Few	NCAA Basketball Utah State vs. Fresno State (L)	Hot Rod	Chronicle the life of the great Rod Hundley.	Poker						
39	FS1 (39)	(5:00) NCAA Basketb. St.J./Marquette (L)	PBC Face to Face	Boxing Classics	PBA Bowling Celebrity Invitational	TMZ Sports (N)	Speak for Yourself	Fair Game					
43	SPIKE (43)	Mom	Mom	Friends	Friends	Friends	★ ★ Rush Hour (1998, Action) Chris Tucker, Tom Wilkinson, Jackie Chan.	Rush Hour 3 ('07)					
44	COM (44)	(15) The Office	(50) The Office	(25) The Office	The Office	The Office	★ ★ Rush Hour (1998, Action) Chris Tucker, Tom Wilkinson, Jackie Chan.	Rush Hour 3 ('07)					
45	HIST (45)	Curse Oak Island "As Above, So Below"	Oak Island "Fingers Made of Stone"	Oak Island "Wharfs and All" (N)	Oak Island "Wharfs and All" (N)	Oak Island "Slipway When Wet" (N)	(05) ProjectBlueBook "Foo Fighters" (N)	(05) Project Blue Book "Foo Fighters"					
46	A&E (46)	The First 48 "Lost Shows"	L. Remini "The Greatest Good"	Remini: Scientology	Remini: Scientology (N)	Remini: Scientology (N)	Many Sides of "Alexis vs. Jane" (N)	(05) Many Sides of Jane "Motherhood"					
47	TLC (47)	Yes Dress "Don't Show the Goodies"	Big Fat Fabulous Li. "Buddy's New Girl"	Big Fat Fab. "Fat Hating Is Real" (N)	I Am Jazz "Operation Complication" Jazz is rushed into emergency surgery.	BadChad "For Kings and Queens" (N)	Street Outlaws: No Prep Kings (N)						
48	DISC (48)	To Be Announced	Garage Rehab "Northrich Collision"	Garage Rehab "Keys Customs" (N)	Garage Rehab "Coastal Cruizers" (N)	BadChad "For Kings and Queens" (N)	Street Outlaws: No Prep Kings (N)						
49	NGEO (49)	Area 51: The CIA's Secret	Life Below Zero "Back in the Saddle"	Life Below Zero "Change is Coming"	Life Below Zero "Race Against Time" (N)	Port Protection "The City Girl" (N)	Life Below Zero "Change is Coming"						
50	TNT (50)	(5:00) NBA Basketball Toronto vs Philadelphia (L)	NBA Basketball Miami Heat at Portland Trail Blazers Site: Moda Center -- Portland, Ore. (L)	Inside the NBA (L)	(05) Nocturnal Animals Amy Adams.								
51	AMC (51)	(5:30) ★ ★ Twister (1996, Action) Bill Paxton, Jami Gertz, Helen Hunt.	★ ★ Cast Away (2000, Drama) Helen Hunt, Nick Searcy, Tom Hanks.										
52	USA (52)	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Secrets"	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Victims"	WWE Super Smackdown	Temptation Island "Rock My World" (N)	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Confession"							
53	FOOD (53)	Chopped "All-Stars: Judge Remix"	Chopped "All-Stars: Grand Finale"	Chopped "Chocolate Rush!"	Chopped (N)	Chopped "Sweets: Chocolate Obsession"	Chopped "Chocolate Competition"						
54	HGTV (54)	Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper						
56	FX (56)	★ ★ Goosebumps (2015, Adventure) Odeya Rush, Dylan Minnette, Jack Black.	★ ★ Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children (2016, Adventure) Asa Butterfield, Chris O'Dowd, Eva Green.	★ ★ Thor: The Dark World (2013, Action) Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston, Natalie Portman.	★ ★ Thor: The Dark World (2013, Action) Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston, Natalie Portman.	★ ★ Thor: The Dark World (2013, Action) Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston, Natalie Portman.	★ ★ Thor: The Dark World (2013, Action) Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston, Natalie Portman.						
57	CNN (57)	Cuomo Prime Time	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	Anderson Cooper 360	Cuomo Prime Time	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon						
58	FNC (58)	Hannity	The Ingraham Angle	Fox News @ Night	Tucker Carlson Tonight	Hannity	The Ingraham Angle						
61	CNBC (61)	The Profit (N)	The Profit "Jackie's Cookies" (N)	The Profit "Ben's Garden"	Profit "An Inside Look: Standard Burger"	The Profit "Jackie's Cookies"	Paid Program						
63	BRAV (63)	Below Deck "All That Glitters Isn't Gold"	Below Deck "Shame Cacaoon"	Below Deck "Au Revior!"	Below Deck "Reunion" (N)	Buying Blind "Terrance and Mahalath"	Watch What (N)						
64	TCM (64)	(5:00) Viva Zapata ('52) Marlon Brando.	(15) ★ ★ ★ ★ Lust for Life (1956, Biography) Anthony Quinn, James Donald, Kirk Douglas.	★ ★ ★ The Letter (1940, Drama) Gale Sondergaard, Herbert Marshall, Bette Davis.	Mildred Pierce								
65	SYFY (65)	(4:55) Priest (2011, Action) Paul Bettany.	(55) Jeepers Creepers 3 (2017, Horror) Meg Foster, Jonathan Breck.	★ ★ ★ Thor: The Dark World (2013, Action) Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston, Natalie Portman.	Futurama								
162	RFD (162)	(5:30) Cattleman (N) FFA Today	Chris Cox	Ken McNabb	Best of America	Rural Eve. News	Ag PhD	Cattlemen to Cattlemen	FFA Today	Product Showcase			