

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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| Action: | Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed |
| Vote: | 7 - 0 - 0 |
| Yeas: | Barnhart, Dallum, Girod, Holvey, Lim, Riley, Witt |
| Nays: | 0 |
| Exc.: | 0 |
| Prepared By: | Ellen Osoinach, Committee Administrator |
| Meeting Dates: | 1/31, 2/16 |

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Declares January 13 of each year to be Korean American Day. Creates Korean American Day Commission.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Lack of mechanism to account for financial donations

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Expands committee membership from seven to nine. Requires election of Chair and Vice-Chair. Institutes bi-annual reporting requirement. Removes provision requiring commission to seek public and private involvement. Abolishes commission on January 2, 2016.

BACKGROUND: On January 13, 1903, the first Korean immigrants arrived in the United States. In 2005, the United States Congress passed a resolution recognizing January 13 as Korean American Day. Several states, including California and Georgia, also passed resolutions recognizing Korean American Day. HB 2447 declares January 13 to be Korean American Day in Oregon and directs the Governor to issue a yearly proclamation calling upon Oregonians to celebrate the contributions of Korean Americans.

HB 2447 also creates a state commission. The commission is not established in any state agency. The Commission promotes, organizes, and coordinates Korean American Day celebrations. Members are prohibited from receiving compensation or payment of expenses for service on the Committee.