

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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Action: Do Pass  
Vote: 3 - 0 - 2  
Yeas: Beyer, Walker, Burdick  
Nays: 0  
Exc.: Kruse, Prozanski  
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Meeting Dates: 1/30, 4/3

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Adds peace officer representative to Governor's Commission on Law Enforcement Medal of Honor (the "Commission").

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Whether legislative counsel can specifically mention entities in statutes when the entity is not statutorily created (they cannot)

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The Commission establishes rules for and nominates candidates for the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor. It presently consists of five members who are representatives of the following: (1) Governor's office, (2) Department of Public Safety Standards and Training, (3) Oregon Chiefs of Police, (4) Oregon Sheriff's Association and (5) a representative from a statewide police officer organization.

SB 266 adds a sixth member—a representative from "a statewide organization of peace officers." The motivation behind the bill is to add a representative from a different statewide police organization. The term "peace officer" includes police officers, constables, marshals, the Oregon State Police and investigators.