

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass
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Yeas: Beyer, Edwards C., Thatcher, Riley
Nays: 0
Exc.: Richardson
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Meeting Dates: 2/15

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs State Parks and Recreation Department to plan, erect, and maintain one or more monuments on State Capitol State Park grounds to commemorate Indian tribes. Conditions such activities on obtaining private funding. Directs department to consult with Oregon State Capitol Foundation and Commission on Indian Services in carrying out duties. Sets effective date of July 1, 2008.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Membership in Capitol Friends organization

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: To the west of the capitol building is the Walk of the Flags, a display of flags from all 50 states around the ellipse. The Walk of the Flags was dedicated in June 2005 and was constructed using donations raised by the Oregon State Capitol Foundation. Senate Bill 632 (2007) established the grounds around the capitol and capitol mall as the State Capitol State Park.

Senate Bill 1078-A requires the State Parks and Recreation Department to plan, erect and maintain one or more monuments in the Walk of the Flags within State Capitol State Park to honor Indian tribes. Oregon has nine federally recognized Indian tribes: Burns Paiute; Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw; Coquille Indian Tribe; Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians; Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde; Klamath Tribes; Confederated Tribes of Siletz; Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation; and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.