74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2008 Special Session

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Rules and Executive Appointments

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Atkinson, Avakian, Brown, Ferrioli, Devlin

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 2/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs the State Parks and Recreation Department to erect and maintain one or more monuments or other suitable markers on grounds of State Capitol State Park to commemorate and honor Indian tribes. Directs the department to consult with the Oregon State Capitol Foundation and the Commission on Indian Services and federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon. Directs the department to obtain funding from private sources. Takes effect July 1, 2008.

MEASURE:

CARRIER:

SB 1078 A

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ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of Native Americans in Oregon
- · Agreements with tribes that allowed statehood to occur
- Public awareness of tribes in Oregon
- Preparations for Oregon's sesquicentennial
- Oregon as a leader in state-tribal relations

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Directs the State Parks and Recreation Department to consult with the Oregon State Capitol Foundation in addition to the Commission on Indian Services about monuments in State Capitol State Park.

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 State Capitol State Park.

Provisions of Senate Bill 1078 A require 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.