74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2008 Special Session MEASURE: SJR 42

CARRIER:

Rep. Rosenbaum

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Elections, Ethics and Rules

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

 Action:
 Be Adopted

 Vote:
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Yeas: Berger, Buckley, Esquivel, Hunt, Shields, Thatcher, Rosenbaum

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

Prepared By: Marjorie Taylor, Administrator

Meeting Dates: 2/15

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Designates March 31 of each year as Oregon Civilian Conservation Corps Day.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

• History of the Civilian Conservation Corps in Oregon – 51 camps from 1933 to 1941

- Eligibility, wages and working conditions for CCC members
- Plaques and statues memorializing CCC members
- · Importance of creating an oral history record

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) was an independent federal agency that contributed to natural resources conservation and infrastructure improvements on public lands in the United States. It also provided employment and training opportunities for thousands of Americans between 1933 and 1942. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Emergency Conservation Work Act on March 31, 1933, which was a precursor to the 1937 law that established the CCC. Benefits of many CCC projects are still enjoyed by people today in national and state parks and forests and other public lands. This resolution establishes March 31 of each year as Oregon Civilian Conservation Corps Day.