74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2008 Special Session MEASURE: SJR 42 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Sen. Ferrioli

**Senate Committee on Rules and Executive Appointments** 

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

 Action:
 Be Adopted

 Vote:
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Yeas: Atkinson, Avakian, Brown, Ferrioli, Devlin

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/7

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

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Program authorized by President Roosevelt in an effort to recover from the Great Depression
- Qualifications to belong to the Civilian Conservation Corps
- Work hours and remuneration for labor
- Conservation of natural resources and human resources
- Fifty-one camps in Oregon from 1933 to 1941
- Examples of Civilian Conservation Corps projects in Oregon

## **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.