75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session **MEASURE:**

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER: Sen. Morrisette Senate Committee on Human Services & Rural Health Policy Sen. Kruse

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REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Be Adopted Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

> Kruse, Monnes Anderson, Telfer, Verger, Morrisette Yeas:

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Meeting Dates: 2/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: In memoriam: Phyllis Kaye Beck, 1949-2008.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Funding and prevention programs needed
- Access to care
- Advocacy of Phyllis Beck
- Incarcerated inmate peer educational groups for Hepatitis C Virus (HCV)
- Support of state, national and federal legislation surrounding HCV

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Phyllis Beck was born on September 20, 1949 in St. Helens, Oregon. She was the founder of the Hepatitis C Awareness Project, an Oregon grassroots organization designed to increase the awareness of viral hepatitis and to help educate the community about HCV prevention, diagnosis and treatment.

Phyllis Beck was also the founder of The National Hepatitis C Prison Coalition, a group formed to bring together organizations and individuals interested in raising awareness and providing support to prisoners who suffer from hepatitis and Human Immunodeficiency Virus/HCV co-infections.