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

**SCR 15** 

Sen. Courtney

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

**Senate Committee on Rules** 

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

**Action:** Be Adopted Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

> Atkinson, Burdick, Ferrioli, Metsger, Devlin Yeas:

Navs: Exc.:

Prepared By: Erin Seiler, Administrator

**Meeting Dates:** 5/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors the life of Sam Rupert Haley.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Life of Sam Rupert Haley
- Public service to the Legislative Assembly and State of Oregon
- Love of the outdoors

## **EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Sam Rupert Haley died on April 22, 2009 at his home in Salem, Oregon. A native of Missouri, he graduated from Washington University Law School in St. Louis with a degree in law. Following graduation in 1942, Mr. Haley enlisted in the United States Army, where as a combat engineer he participated in the 2nd wave at Omaha Beach in Normandy. After being honorably discharged from the Army, Mr. Haley returned to Jefferson City and founded a law practice. In 1949, he was asked to collaborate in the revision of the Oregon Revised Statutes and as the deputy reviser of statutes, he certified the first edition of the Oregon Revised Statutes in 1953. Mr. Haley was appointed the first Legislative Counsel when the Legislative Counsel Committee was established in 1954 and served the Committee for 15 years before being appointed by Governor Tom McCall to serve as Public Utilities Commissioner. He went on to serve as Assistant Director of the Oregon Department of Transportation, Director of Commerce and Director of the Employment Division.

Following his retirement in 1983, Mr. Haley remained active in the Salem community serving on the Committee for City Hall, YMCA Board, Vice-President of Salem Rotary, and Vestry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

He was married to Jean Joseph Haley for 52 years until her death in 1994. He is survived by his three children, Sam J. Haley, Tom Haley, and Tory Kelly, and his seven grandchildren.