

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means

Vote: 6 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Boone, Huffman, Matthews, Parrish, Esquivel, Witt

Nays: 0

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 3/22, 4/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes World War II Task Force to arrange for development, design and construction of memorial to honor Oregon's World War II veterans.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Work of World War II Memorial Planning Committee
- Most states have a World War II Memorial on their capitol grounds
- Need to act quickly since 1,000 World War II veterans die daily

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Delineates only private funding will be used for construction of memorial.

BACKGROUND: There were 152,000 Oregonians who served in World War II, 3,757 of whom lost their lives. At present, Oregon is home to 30,000 World War II veterans. While a number of local memorials for World War II veterans exist, currently there are no statewide memorials commemorating Oregon's World War II veterans. Former Governor Kulongoski established a World War II Memorial Planning Committee. House Bill 3416 gives Legislative support to the World War II Memorial Planning Committee.