

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Be Adopted as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 8 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Barnhart, Berger, Freeman, Garrett, Holvey, Wingard, Hunt, Olson

Nays: -

Exc.: -

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Meeting Dates: 4/20

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Memorializes former Representative, Senator, and State Treasurer Ben Westlund, 1949-2010.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Accomplishments of Ben Westlund
- Stories of personal interaction
- Ranching experience and “Reggie” the bull
- Reasons he changed political parties
- Lessons on re-structuring of Oregon’s revenue system
- Speech he made on the floor after his health issues became apparent

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Identifies the friend who convinced Ben Westlund to run for public office, former Speaker of the House Lynn Lundquist.

BACKGROUND: Ben Westlund, of Tumalo, Oregon, was elected to the House of Representatives in 1986 and served in the House from 1997 until his appointment to the Senate in 2003. Westlund served in the Senate from 2003 until his inauguration as Oregon State Treasurer in 2009. He was the State Treasurer until his death on March 7, 2010.

House Concurrent Resolution 23-A is sponsored or co-sponsored by Oregon’s 60 Representatives and 30 Senators.