

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Be Adopted
<b>Vote:</b>	3 - 0 - 2
<b>Yeas:</b>	Beyer, Ferrioli, Rosenbaum
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	Atkinson, Burdick
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	5/12

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Designates national Honor and Remember Flag as official honor and remember flag of Oregon.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Creation and establishment of Honor and Remember Flag
- Meaning of design on flag
- Importance of flag to families of fallen soldiers
- Adoption of federal resolution, HR 546
- Oregonian soldiers who were killed in the line of duty

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

**BACKGROUND:** Honor and Remember is the flag of the National Campaign of Remembrance, established to promote a nationally recognized flag that would fly continuously as a visible reminder to all Americans of the more than one million members of the Armed Forces of the United States who have lost their lives in the line of duty. The Honor and Remember Flag's design symbolizes the overall meaning of the flag's message. The Red Field represents the brave men and women in America's military who sacrificed their lives for freedom. The Blue Star represents active service in military conflict. This symbol originated with World War I, but on this flag it signifies service through all generations from the American Revolution to present day. The White Border surrounding the gold star recognizes the purity of sacrifice. The Gold Star signifies the ultimate sacrifice of a person in active service who will not return home and reflects the value of the life that was given. The folded flag signifies the final tribute to an individual life that a family sacrificed and gave to the nation. The Flame is an eternal reminder of the spirit that has departed this life yet burns on in the memory of all who knew and loved the fallen hero.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 15 would designate the Honor and Remember Flag the official honor and remember flag of Oregon.