

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Be Adopted
Vote:	3 – 0 – 2
Yeas:	Beyer, Ferrioli, Rosenbaum
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Atkinson, Burdick
Prepared By:	Erin Seiler, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	5/12

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors D.E. “Denny” Jones for his services to Legislative Assembly and State of Oregon and for his many contributions to family, friends, community, and country.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Experience as rancher and director of Oregon Cattleman’s Association
- Dedication to legislature and legislative process
- Length of service as State Representative
- Personal stories of working with Denny Jones
- Denny Jones Day at the Oregon State Capitol

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Denzil “Denny” Jones, a storied Oregon statesman and rancher, celebrated his 100th birthday on September 21st, 2010. Growing up in Crook County, Denny Jones attended high school in Prineville where he learned to ride horses and competed, internationally, as a jockey and buckaroo. In 1939, after spending nearly ten years working on ranches, Jones became the proprietor of his own ranch. He was recognized with the Malheur County Cattleman of the Year Award; the Harney County Livestock Association Citizenship Award, and the Ontario Jaycees’ Citizenship Award. In addition, he served as the director of the Oregon Cattleman’s Association and was a charter member of the Public Lands Council in 1968.

Elected to the Oregon Legislature in 1972, Denny Jones served 13 terms as a State Representative. His 26 years of service as a State Representative made his tenure the second longest of any individual to serve in the Oregon Legislature. Among his accomplishments in the Legislature were 18 years serving on both the Emergency Board and the Ways & Means Committee, in addition to serving on the agriculture, transportation, and education committees.

Married to the late Mildred Altnow, together they have two children, eight grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.