77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session MEASURE: HCR 28 CARRIER: Sen. Winters

Senate Committee on Rules

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Be Adopted **Vote:** 4 - 0 - 1

Yeas: Beyer, Ferrioli, Starr, Rosenbaum

Nays: 0 Exc.: Burdick

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Meeting Dates: 5/1

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Designates September 5, 2014, as Saxon Day to recognize South Salem High School's tradition of excellence.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Long history of excellence and achievement at South Salem High School
- Alumni of school
- Success of school in DECA, culinary arts, music and sports
- 60th anniversary of school
- International baccalaureate program

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Founded September 7, 1954, South Salem High School has been preparing students for post-high school education, for successful careers and for life. For nearly 60 years, South Salem High School has been recognized for its long-standing history of academic rigor, athletic success, culinary arts achievement, and musical accomplishment. In 1987, South Salem High School was named a Blue Ribbon School, one of the highest honors bestowed on schools in the United States. As one of only 19 high schools in Oregon, and the only school in Salem, to offer the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, South Salem High School's IB program is utilized by approximately 53 percent of South Salem High School juniors and seniors. The commitment to high academic standards has resulted in the school having an active chapter of the National Honor Society since 1955.

South Salem High School has maintained a winning tradition in athletic programs at the highest level that began when Saxon football and tennis teams won state championships in the first year of the school's existence. Through the years, the school's teams have won 19 state championships in 11 different sports.

Since 1987, South Salem High School has won 32 state championships in music competitions. It also has been awarded two Grammys, and has been recognized as a Grammy Signature School Gold recipient. The Saxon's wind ensemble, choir, and orchestra have been recognized statewide and internationally. The wind ensemble performed in Shanghai and Beijing at events connected to the 2008 Summer Olympics.

House Concurrent Resolution 28 honors South Salem High School for its strong tradition of excellence and recognizes Friday, September 5, 2014, as Saxon Day.