## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

**House Committee on Rules** 

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

**Action:** Be Adopted **Vote:** 9 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Barnhart, Berger, Dembrow, Hicks, Holvey, Hoyle, Jenson, Kennemer, Garrett

**MEASURE: HCR 32** 

CARRIER: Rep. McLane

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

**Prepared By:** Erin Seiler, Administrator

**Meeting Dates:** 6/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: In memoriam: Lynn Lundquist, 1934-2013.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

• Life of Lynn Lundquist

- Commitment to education and education funding
- Service to State of Oregon

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

**BACKGROUND:** A politician, a farmer, a government official and a businessman, former Oregon Speaker of the House Lynn Lundquist died unexpectedly on April 9, 2013, at his home in Powell Butte at the age of 78. Speaker Lundquist had extensive career in elective politics, fighting hard for his constituents, working across the aisle to make legislation better, and, ultimately, making Oregon a better place.

A graduate of Oregon State University and the University of Connecticut, Speaker Lundquist began his career of service as a member of the Newberg School Board, a position in which he was elected during his tenure as a professor of economics at George Fox University. An advocate for children and for education, he extended his service to include the board of directors of Special Olympics Oregon, CareOregon and the Children's Institute, 4-H leader and served as state president for the Oregon Future Farmers of America Association,

First elected to the Oregon House in 1994, Speaker Lundquist served from 1995 to 2001, and was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives in 1997. During his tenure in the Legislature, he was a strong advocate for education, helping set the state's benchmarks for measuring the cost of a quality education. He was determined to stabilize Oregon's boom-and-bust budgets.

One of Speaker Lundquist's biggest successes came not in public office but in his work from 2000 to 2007 as the first leader of the Oregon Business Association (OBA). He shaped the group, which included several of the state's largest businesses, into a bipartisan lobbying force that, among other things, backed diverting corporate tax rebates into a rainy-day fund that helped the state through the current economic downturn. In 2008, OBA recognized Speaker Lundquist with the Statesman of the Year Award.

After retiring to his ranch near Powell Butte in Central Oregon in 2008, Speaker Lundquist remained active in his community as he went on to serve one term as a Crook County commissioner in 2008 and county court until 2011.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Barbara, seven children, and many grandchildren.

House Concurrent Resolution 32 recognizes Lynn Lundquist for his legacy of public service, leadership and his invaluable contributions to the State of Oregon.