

# House Bill 2182

Sponsored by Representative BOONE (Pre-session filed.)

## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Designates September 27 as annual First Responder Appreciation Day.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to recognition of first responders.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Legislative Assembly finds that:**

5 **(a) First responders risk their safety and personal property on a daily basis in the exe-**  
6 **cution of their duty to protect the public;**

7 **(b) First responders are the first line of defense for the public against threats, domestic**  
8 **and foreign;**

9 **(c) First responders stand ready 24 hours per day to come to the aid of citizens of the**  
10 **United States of America;**

11 **(d) First responders are a vital part of our communities, not only responding to emer-**  
12 **gencies but also volunteering in our schools and community organizations;**

13 **(e) First responders, who are volunteers or employees of agencies that provide public**  
14 **safety services, including policing, fire protection, emergency medical services and search**  
15 **and rescue services, come together during emergencies to serve the public; and**

16 **(f) The State of Oregon wishes to honor and support first responders with an annual day**  
17 **of appreciation.**

18 **(2) The Legislative Assembly declares September 27 of each year as First Responder Ap-**  
19 **preciation Day.**

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.