

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

House Committee on Veterans' Services and Emergency Preparedness

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO: None

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 2/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors Major General Raymond F. Rees for his distinguished career and service to his state and country.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: Major General Raymond F. Rees was born in Helix, Oregon in 1944. He graduated from Helix High School in 1962 and the United States Military Academy in 1966. In December 1968, he was assigned to active duty in Vietnam. After leaving the active Army in the 1970s, Major General Rees joined the Oregon Army National Guard. He advanced through several command and staff positions of increasing rank and responsibility, serving as the Director of the Army National Guard, acting Chief of the National Guard Bureau, and Adjutant General of Oregon.

Throughout his career Major General Rees was highly decorated, with awards including the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Army Distinguished Service Medal, Air Force Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster) and the Bronze Star. Major General Rees retired on July 13, 2013, after 47 years of military service.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 204 honors and commends Major General Raymond F. Rees for his distinguished career, his outstanding leadership, and his dedication to serving his state and country.