78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: HCR 19 PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER:

**House Committee on Rules** 

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Action: Vote:

Yeas: Nays: Exc.:

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/6

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Congratulates 2014 University of Oregon Ducks football team on their Rose Bowl victory.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:** 

## **EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

**BACKGROUND:** The University of Oregon (Oregon) football program has been steadily building its reputation as a team that can hold its own against any storied football powerhouse school in the nation.

Oregon's historic and record-breaking 2014 college football season under head football coach Mark Helfrich, secured its place in the first ever College Football Playoff National Championship game, despite numerous injuries to key players and an early defeat by the Arizona Wildcats. Oregon's presence in the College Football Playoff National Championship Game was its second ever national championship game appearance, the first being the Bowl Championship Series National Championship Game in 2011.

In addition, Oregon quarterback Marcus Mariota is the first Oregon player to win the Heisman Trophy, having received the second-highest percentage of possible points in Heisman history. He secured the Pac-12 records for career total touchdowns and single-season total touchdowns, as well as the Oregon team records for career total offensive yards, career passing yards, career passing touchdowns, single-season total offensive yards, single-season passing yards and single-season passing touchdowns.

House Concurrent Resolution 18 congratulates the Oregon Ducks football team and coaches on their impressive victory at the 2015 Rose Bowl and for their stellar performance during the 2014 college football season.