PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY   CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: No fiscal impact
SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO: None

Action:	
Vote:	
Yeas:	
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Exc.:	
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Meeting Dates:	5/12, 5/19

> **Last measure drafted based on previous method of obtaining a road sign. HB 2389, repealing this method, went into effect 5/4/2015 – now only a Concurrent Resolution is needed.**
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> **This measure to be redrafted in the form of a Concurrent Resolution.**

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs Department of Transportation to erect and maintain a roadside memorial sign for Specialist Mabry James Anders. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:
- Provisions of Measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: Specialist Mabry James Anders was born in Yuma, Arizona, and grew up in Baker City, Oregon, graduating from Baker Alternative School in 2009. He joined the United States Army and, in January 2010, was assigned to the 4th Special Troops Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division. He was deployed to Afghanistan, where he served as a wheeled-vehicle mechanic. Specialist Anders was killed in action in Kalagush, Afghanistan, on August 27, 2012; he was buried with full military honors in Haines, Oregon.

The Legislative Assembly established the Roadside Memorial Fund in 2011 for the purpose of collecting and appropriating monies to the Department of Transportation (ODOT) to cover the cost of erecting and maintaining roadside memorial signs commemorating law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. Two later measures, House Bills 2708 and 3494, in 2013, expanded on this model by permitting memorial road signs for active duty servicemembers killed in action.

House Bill 2981 directs ODOT to erect and maintain a road sign in memory of Specialist Mabry James Anders.

House Committee: 6 – 0 – 1
House Floor: 59 – 0 – 1

This summary has not been adopted or officially endorsed by action of the committee.
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