

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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Meeting Dates: 6/4

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors 1962 Heisman Trophy winner Terry Baker.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Oregon State University (OSU) quarterback Terry Baker became the first player west of Texas to win the Heisman Trophy, and held the distinction of being Oregon's only Heisman Trophy winner for 52 years. While at OSU, he excelled at both football and basketball, where he was the Beaver's quarterback football team from 1960 to 1962 and led OSU to the Final Four of the 1963 NCAA Men's Division I Basketball Tournament. To date, he is the only athlete to have both won a Heisman Trophy and played in the Final Four.

In 1963, Baker was the first overall pick in the National Football League (NFL) draft and played with the Los Angeles Rams from 1963 to 1965. He then played for one season in the Canadian Football League (CFL) with the Edmonton Eskimos, in 1966. As a result of collegiate and professional sports success, he was inducted into the State of Oregon Sports Hall of Fame in 1980 College Football Hall of Fame in 1982 and the OSU Sports Hall of Fame in 1988. Moreover, OSU has retired his #11 football jersey.

Senate Resolution 4 honors and celebrates Terry Baker for his 1962 Heisman Trophy win, among other accomplishments.