

**Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session  
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**MEASURE: HCR 14  
CARRIER: Rep. Keny-Guyer  
Rep. McKeown**

**House Committee On Health Care**

**Fiscal:** No Fiscal Impact  
**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 02/13/15  
**Action:** Be Adopted.  
**Meeting Dates:** 02/13

**House**  
**Yeas:** 8 - Buehler, Greenlick, Hayden, Weidner, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Nosse, Kennemer  
**Exc:** 1 - Clem

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Designates March 26, 2015 as Purple Day to raise awareness of epilepsy.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Importance of education, outreach and awareness of epilepsy
- Personal experiences with family members with epilepsy
- History of Purple Day

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Epilepsy is one of the most common neurological disorders. Roughly 10 percent of people in the U.S. will have a seizure during their lifetime and 2.5 million individuals have active epilepsy.

Purple Day is an international grassroots effort dedicated to increasing awareness about epilepsy worldwide. Each year on March 26<sup>th</sup>, people in countries around the world are invited to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness.