

**Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session**  
**STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**  
**Senate Committee On Rules**

**MEASURE: HCR 14**  
**CARRIER: Sen. Winters**

**Fiscal:** No Fiscal Impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 03/17/15

**Action:** Be Adopted.

**Meeting Dates:** 03/17

**Vote:**

Yeas: 5 - Beyer, Boquist, Burdick, Ferrioli, Rosenbaum

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

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

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Impact of epilepsy on people's lives
- Difficulty diagnosing and treating epilepsy
- Importance of raising awareness of disease
- Significance of March 26<sup>th</sup> to families

**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 26th, people in countries around the world are invited to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness.