

**78th Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2016 Regular Session**  
**STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**  
**House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness**

**MEASURE: SCR 206**  
**CARRIER: Rep. Esquivel**

**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact  
**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 02/23/16

**Action:** Be Adopted.

**Meeting Dates:** 02/23

**Vote:**

Yeas: 6 - Boone, Esquivel, Huffman, Lively, Parrish, Piluso

Exc: 1 - Evans

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

In memoriam: Private George Nathan Wright and Specialist Four James Alfred Wright.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Small number of families that have lost multiple family members in action
- Service and sacrifice of the Wright brothers, and the Wright family
- Different treatment of veterans who returned from Vietnam as compared to other veterans
- Initiated by community of Boring, Oregon, and the Vietnam Veterans of America

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

George and James Wright were born a little more than two years apart, George in late 1945 and James in early 1948. Their family resided in Boring, Oregon. George was in the Marines, a 0311 Rifleman, assigned to F Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Amphibious Force. James was in the Army, a 13E40 Cannon Fire Direction Specialist, assigned to B Battery, 6th Battalion, 11th Artillery, 11th Infantry Brigade, Americal Division. The brothers also died about two years apart: George in May of 1967, at the age of 21, from enemy fire in the Quang Tri Province of South Vietnam; and James in May of 1969, also at the age of 21, from enemy fire in the Quang Ngai Province of South Vietnam. Their father, also named George, is a World War II veteran of the Navy. Senate Concurrent Resolution 206 honors their sacrifice, and the sacrifice of the Wright family.