

HCR 3 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

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Meeting Dates: 5/2, 5/16

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Recognizes and honors two brothers, Private James Herbert Rowden (1944-1966) and Private First Class John Wayne Rowden (1946-1968).

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Private James Herbert Rowden and Private First Class John Wayne Rowden resided in Jackson County. Both brothers were assigned to a Marine Amphibious Force, and were killed in action about two years apart, each at age 21. Both parents are deceased, and the last immediate surviving member of the family currently resides in Medford. The Rowden family is one of only 39 families nationwide, and four in Oregon, to lose two sons in the Vietnam War.

House Concurrent Resolution 3 honors brothers James and John Rowden, and the Rowden family, for their sacrifice during the Vietnam War.