

**HCR 18 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Sen. Kruse

**Senate Committee On Education**

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**Action Date:** 02/28/17  
**Action:** Be adopted.  
**Vote:** 5-0-0-0  
**Yeas:** 5 - Gelser, Hass, Kruse, Linthicum, Roblan  
**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact  
**Revenue:** No revenue impact  
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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Recognizes March 3, 2017 as National Speech and Debate Education Day.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Success of speech and debate students
- Impact of speech and debate
- U.S. resolution recognizing speech and debate day
- Importance of public speaking

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The National Speech and Debate Association is encouraging the adoption of state and federal resolutions recognizing March 3, 2017 as National Speech and Debate Education Day. According to the Oregon School Activities Association, approximately 1,100 students throughout the state participate in speech and debate each year.