

HB 2880 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

Carrier: Rep. Esquivel

Action Date: 03/09/17
Action: Do Pass.
Vote: 7-0-1-0
Yeas: 7 - Boone, Esquivel, Evans, Lewis, Lively, Meek, Post
Exc: 1 - Parrish
Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact
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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expands definition of "public building" for purposes of displaying Oregon state flag and National League of Families' POW/MIA flag to include all county, municipal, school district and special school district buildings where it is usual to display the United States flag.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Effects of the measure
- Role of government in mandating flag display

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Current law requires the Oregon state flag and the National League of Families' POW/MIA flag to be displayed with the United States flag on public buildings. Public buildings include state institutions, county courthouses and all other state buildings that the Oregon Department of Administrative Services determines are suitable to display the Oregon and POW/MIA flag.

House Bill 2880 expands the definition of "public building" to include county, municipal, school district and special district buildings upon which it is customary and suitable to display the United States flag, so that the Oregon state flag and POW/MIA flag will also be displayed.