

SB 992 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Boquist

Senate Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

Action Date: 04/04/17

Action: Do pass.

Vote: 4-0-0-0

Yeas: 4 - Boquist, Monnes Anderson, Olsen, President Courtney

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Designates third Friday of every September "Oregon POW/MIA Recognition Day."

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of measure
- Early history and politicization of POW/MIA flag design

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2015, the Oregon Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 2892 to require display of the National League of Families' POW/MIA flag that symbolizes the nation's concern and commitment to resolving, as far as possible, the fates of Americans still held prisoners or those who remain unaccounted for in Southeast Asia.

Senate Bill 992 takes another step, designating the third Friday of each September, "Oregon POW/MIA Recognition Day."