

HCR 11 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Boquist

Senate Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

Action Date: 05/16/17
Action: Be adopted.
Vote: 3-0-1-0
Yeas: 3 - Boquist, Monnes Anderson, President Courtney
Exc: 1 - Olsen
Fiscal: No fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact
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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Recognizes and honors Sergeant Ronald W. Burkhart (1949 - 1968) for his service to his country.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Life and service of Sergeant Burkhart

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Sergeant Burkhart was born on March 4, 1949, in Harlan, Kentucky. At the age of 13, he moved with his family to Albany, Oregon. He enjoyed boxing, fishing and bow hunting. When he was 17, he enlisted in the army and rose to the rank of sergeant within a year. Although stationed in Germany, he volunteered for a tour in Vietnam where he was assigned to A Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, 199th Infantry Brigade. He succumbed to hostile enemy fire in Bien Hoa Province, South Vietnam. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Purple Heart, the Vietnam Service Medal and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

House Concurrent Resolution 11 honors Sergeant Ronald W. Burkhart.