

**HB 4083 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Veterans**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Modifies criteria to erect roadside memorial sign in honor of a service member previously designated as a prisoner of war (POW) or missing in action (MIA) who was later determined to have been killed in the line of duty and whose body has been returned to Oregon. Takes effect 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Under ORS 366.931, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) will erect a Fallen Hero roadside memorial for a service member killed in combat or as a result of injuries sustained during combat if the Legislative Assembly adopts a concurrent resolution recognizing that individual and ODOT receives a \$600 fee to erect and maintain the memorial sign.

House Bill 4083 eliminates the requirement that the Legislative Assembly adopt a concurrent resolution honoring a deceased service member before a roadside memorial sign can be erected if that service member was previously designated as MIA or as a POW but was later determined to have been killed in the line of duty and the remains of the service member have been returned to Oregon.