

SB 1509 -2, -3 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

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Meeting Dates: 2/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Renames Route 35 of Oregon as the Oregon Nisei Veterans World War II Historic Highway.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not yet issued.

Revenue Impact Statement: Issued; measure has no revenue impact.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-2 Replaces "Historic" with "Memorial".

-3 Replaces "Historic" with "Memorial"; and

Designates a portion of Oregon Route 35, beginning where the highway intersects with U.S. Highway 26 and ending where the highway intersects with U.S. Highway 30 as the Oregon Nisei Veterans World War II Historic Highway.

BACKGROUND:

Several of Oregon's roadways honor veterans who served their country in the United States Armed Forces with honor and valor throughout recent history. These dedications include the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Highway, through passage of Senate Bill 461 (2013), and the Warm Springs Veterans Memorial Highway designated through passage of House Bill 4023 (2014). Furthermore, House Bill 2036 (2015) combined several border-to-border initiatives to honor veterans of the First World War; the Korean War; and the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq Wars, along with recipients of the Purple Heart, designated the Purple Heart Trail.

Senate Bill 1509 renames Oregon Route 35 as the Oregon Nisei Veterans World War II Historic Highway.