

**HB 2708 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Rep. Neron

**House Committee On Rules**

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**Action Date:** 02/28/23

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Vote:** 5-0-2-0

**Yeas:** 5 - Fahey, Nosse, Scharf, Valderrama, Wallan

**Exc:** 2 - Breese-Iverson, Kropf

**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/2, 2/28

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Designates first full week in March as Classified School Employees Week.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Role of classified employees
- Raising awareness of and appreciating the work of classified employees
- Establishing appreciation week in statute

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Classified school employees go above and beyond for public schools in this state every day and keep students safe, healthy, nourished, and learning. The work of classified school employees is often unrecognized, but they are dedicated educators and civil servants who do important jobs that are essential to Oregon's schools. Former Governor Kate Brown proclaimed March 2-6, 2020, and March 7-11, 2022, to be Classified School Employees Week.

House Bill 2708 codifies the designation of the first full week in March as Classified School Employees Week.