

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure
Vote:	4 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Metsger, Morse, Westlund, Walker
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Kruse
Prepared By:	Dana Richardson, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	3/29

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes January 13 as Korean American Day. Establishes Korean American Day Commission to operate until January 2, 2016.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: On January 13, 1903, the first Korean immigrants arrived in the United States. In 2005, the United States Congress passed a resolution recognizing January 13 as Korean American Day. Several states, including California and Georgia, also passed resolutions recognizing Korean American Day. HB 2447A declares January 13 to be Korean American Day in Oregon and directs the Governor to issue a yearly proclamation calling upon Oregonians to celebrate the contributions of Korean Americans.

HB 2447A also creates a state commission. The commission is not established in any state agency. The commission promotes, organizes, and coordinates Korean American Day celebrations. Members are prohibited from receiving compensation or payment of expenses for service on the committee.