#### 75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Health Care & Veterans Affairs

FISCAL: No fiscal impact Action: Be Adopted Vote: 5 - 0 - 0 Bates, Kruse, Morrisette, Morse, Monnes Anderson Yeas: Navs: 0 Exc.: 0 **Prepared By:** Robert Shook, Administrator **Meeting Dates:** 3/31

# **REVENUE:** No revenue impact

## WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Memorializes Dr. Robert Bacon, 1918-2009

### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Dr. Bacon's contribution to Oregon beach bill
- Characterized as one of the silent heroes of Oregon

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Dr. Robert Bacon received his doctorate from Yale University in 1940, joining the faculty at Oregon Health & Sciences University in 1955 until his retirement in 1988. He was a resident of Gearhart, Oregon for many years until his death on January 10, 2009.

Dr. Bacon was a tireless citizen advocate for the protection of the Oregon coast from barriers to public access and from development, and was instrumental in securing passage of the 1967 Beach Bill (chapter 601, Oregon Laws). Because of his efforts and achievements millions of Oregonians and visitors have enjoyed the bounty and beauty of the Oregon coast and will continue to do so for generations to come.

The Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly extends their condolences to his wife, Sue, and their family, and express their sincere appreciation for his hard work and dedication to improving Oregon for all people, in the truest spirit of citizen involvement in public affairs.

**MEASURE: CARRIER:**