75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY--2009 Regular Session

Senate Bill 367

Sponsored by Senator BOQUIST (at the request of Robert Walsh)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Designates January 29 of every year as Thomas Paine Day.

1	A BILL FOR AN ACT
2	Relating to Thomas Paine.
3	The Legislative Assembly finds that:
4	(1) Thomas Paine, a leader of the American Revolution and one of the Founding Fathers, peer
5	of Washington, Madison, Franklin and Jefferson, was also one of the most brilliant political philos-
6	ophers of his time.
7	(2) Thomas Paine crystallized the decision of the colonies to seek independence with his work
8	"Common Sense."
9	(3) Thomas Paine supported the revolution through personal service, his fortune and his inspi-
10	rational "Crisis Papers."
11	(4) Thomas Paine was the first to promote universal and equal education for boys and girls,
12	equality for women and religious freedom and to suggest a League of Nations.
13	(5) Thomas Paine's life and work continue to inspire all those who seek liberty and justice all
14	over the world.
15	Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
16	SECTION 1. January 29 of every year is designated as Thomas Paine Day to commem-
17	orate Thomas Paine and his accomplishments.
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