

SCR 203 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Courtney

Senate Committee On Rules

Action Date: 03/02/22

Action: Do adopt.

Vote: 4-0-1-0

Yeas: 4 - Girod, Knopp, Taylor, Wagner

Exc: 1 - Manning Jr

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/2

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Adjourns sine die 2022 regular session of Eighty-first Legislative Assembly.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The legislative work done during this legislative session
- Monetary savings of adjourning sine die earlier than Constitutionally mandated

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Latin term sine die means “adjournment without a day” and the sine die resolution is used to connote the final adjournment of a legislative session, without adjourning to a specific time or date. The resolution, to be valid, must be adopted in the same form by both chambers. Following the passage of Measure 71 in 2010, the Legislative Assembly now meets annually; a long-session in odd-numbered years and a short-session in even-numbered years. As a result of the change to annual sessions, the chambers initiated the practice, in 2011, of introducing a concurrent resolution, in conjunction with the sine die resolution, to establish limitations and timelines for the long and short session. By Oregon legislative tradition, at the time of sine die, the main doors of both chambers are opened so that the presiding officers may view each other, and the final adjournment gavels fall simultaneously.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 203 adjourns sine die the 2022 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly.