

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5718

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Establishing purple heart recipient recognition day.

SPONSORS: Senators Owen, Oke, Rasmussen, Conner, Nelson, Thorsness, Bauer and von Reichbauer.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

BACKGROUND:

Many veterans in Washington State are recipients of the Purple Heart, a national decoration for members of the armed forces wounded in combat. The award was originally established by General George Washington in 1782, making it the oldest still in use.

There is no statewide recognition of these recipients' valor.

SUMMARY:

August 7 is recognized as Purple Heart Recipient Recognition Day. It is not considered a legal holiday for any purpose.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate 46 0

First Special Session

Senate 46 0

House 94 0

EFFECTIVE: September 29, 1991