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SENATE BILL 5678

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By Senators Thorsness, Madsen, Rasmussen, Hayner, Newhouse, Erwin, A. Smith, L. Kreidler, Williams, Saling, Cantu, Sutherland, Owen, Johnson and Oke.

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1 AN ACT Relating to a day of commemoration for the national guard;  
2 adding a new section to chapter 1.20 RCW; and creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the  
5 Washington army and air national guard comprise almost nine thousand  
6 dedicated men and women who serve the state and nation on a voluntary  
7 basis. The legislature also finds that the state of Washington  
8 benefits from that dedication by immediate access to well-prepared  
9 resources in time of natural disasters and public emergency. The  
10 national guard has consistently and frequently responded to state and  
11 local emergencies with people and equipment to provide enforcement  
12 assistance, medical services, and overall support to emergency  
13 management services.

14 The legislature further declares that an annual day of  
15 commemoration should be observed in honor of the achievements,

1 sacrifices, and dedication of the men and women of the Washington army  
2 and air national guard.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 1.20 RCW  
4 to read as follows:

5 January 26th of each year is designated as Washington army and air  
6 national guard day.