

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## ESJM 8001

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As Passed Legislature

**Brief Description:** Petitioning for a plaque honoring veterans dying from war-related injuries received in the southeast Asia theater of operations.

**Sponsors:** Senators Hargrove, McCaslin, Snyder, Patterson and Oke.

**Senate Committee on Government Operations**

**House Committee on Government Administration**

**Background:** In 1984, legislation was enacted authorizing the design and placement of a memorial on the capitol campus honoring Washington State residents who died or are missing in action– in the southeast Asia theater of operations. This memorial, commonly known as the Vietnam Memorial, was dedicated in May 1987.

Joel Dean Smith, who sustained massive war-related injuries, is representative of many thousands of Washington State residents who have died or will die from war-related injuries received in the southeast Asia theater of operations.

**Summary:** The memorialists respectfully pray that the Governor of the state of Washington, in consultation with the Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Director of the Department of General Administration, and the state’s Vietnam veterans organizations, have placed upon the southeast Asia memorial a plaque honoring those veterans who died from war-related injuries received in the southeast Asia theater of operations.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	48	0
House	97	0