

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5049

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Designating veterans' history awareness month.

Sponsors: Senators Roach, Eide, Winsley, Franklin, Rasmussen, Stevens, Schmidt, Haugen, Parlette, Carlson, Esser and Sheahan.

Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections
House Committee on State Government

Background: According to the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs there are 25 million living veterans, 48 million Americans who have served in the armed forces since 1776, and nearly one million Americans who have died in combat or combat-related events. On Veterans' Day Americans acknowledge, remember and honor the military personnel who protect and serve our country.

Summary: November of each year is known as veterans' history awareness month. The week in which Veterans' Day occurs is designated as a time for people to celebrate the contributions of veterans to the State of Washington. Educational institutions, public entities and private organizations are encouraged to designate time for activities in commemoration of the contributions of America's veterans.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	48 0
House	95 0

Effective: July 27, 2003