

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 5563

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Including women's contributions in the World War II oral history project.

**Sponsors:** Senators Franklin, Schmidt, Oke, Rasmussen, Thibaudeau, Kohl-Welles, Pflug, Regala, Parlette, Pridemore, Hargrove, Fraser, Hewitt, Doumit, Spanel, Prentice, Stevens, McAuliffe, Mulliken, Haugen, Berkey, Swecker, Carrell, Fairley, Kline, Keiser, Kastama, Shin, Delvin, Roach, Poulsen, Sheldon, Eide, Johnson and Rockefeller.

**Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections**

**House Committee on Education**

**House Committee on Appropriations**

**Background:** The World War II oral history project was established for the purpose of providing oral history presentations, documentation, and other materials to assist the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and educators in the development of a curriculum for use in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

**Summary:** The legislature finds that the women of the greatest generation made essential contributions to our nation's success in World War II. Many directly served the country in the armed forces; many provided nursing and support services to the troops; and many back at home worked in industries that supported the service members. Other women held our families, businesses, and communities together. The legislature further finds that to have a clearer reflection of women's sacrifices on behalf of freedom and democracy, it is necessary to include the memories of these women in the World War II oral history project.

Any funding provided to the World War II oral history project through the omnibus appropriations act for the 2005-2007 biennium must be used to record the memories of women who served in the armed forces or contributed to the war effort through national or community contributions during World War II.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	47	0
House	94	0

**Effective:** August 1, 2005