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Rep. Duane Stark named Oregon House Republican Whip

Grants Pass lawmaker to play key role in 2018 legislative session

Salem, Ore. - Representative Duane Stark (R-Grants Pass) has been elected by his Republican peers to serve as the Oregon House Republican Caucus Whip. Rep. Stark, in his second term as a member of the Legislature, previously served as the Deputy Whip for the caucus. He will succeed Rep. Jodi Hack, who announced earlier today she would be leaving the legislature to pursue a private sector opportunity.

"I am very humbled to have earned the support of my colleagues in this new role," said Rep. Stark. "I look forward to partnering with Leader McLane and the leadership team to serve the caucus to forge bipartisan cooperation with our colleagues on the other side of the aisle. There is a lot at stake in the 2018 legislative session, and I am excited to get to work."

In addition to his role as the House Republican Whip, Rep. Stark serves a member of the Human Services and Housing Committee, Judiciary Committee and Ways and Means Committee. He is also the Co-Chair of the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Public Safety.

"Representative Stark has been valuable member of our team for several years now," said House Republican Leader Mike McLane (R-Powell Butte). "He is a hardworking and dependable lawmaker who will be an enormous asset to our caucus in the upcoming legislative session."

Rep. Stark represents House District 4, which includes the communities of Central Point, White City, Eagle Point, Gold Hill, Rogue River and portions of Grants Pass.

The 2018 legislative session will begin on February 5, 2018.

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