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## **Bill to honor and remember veterans passes committee**

SALEM, Ore.-A bill sponsored by state Sens. Tim Knopp, R-Bend, and Alan Olsen, R-Canby, to honor veterans passed the Senate Veterans and Emergency Preparedness Committee today.

[Senate Bill 573](#) encourages Oregonians to honor and remember those who have given their lives in military service in war at noon on 21st day of each month. It is based on the patriotic symbolism of the number 21: it being the 21st century; the honor of a 21-gun salute; associating with the Tomb of the Unknowns; and the sum of the numbers "1776."

Following the passage of the bill Knopp released the following statement:

*"Our veterans deserve honor, respect and recognition for their duty and sacrifice. We must continue to remember those who have dedicated their lives to military service."*

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