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Roseburg Veteran's Home Legislation Moves Forward in the Last Hours of the '18 Short Session

SALEM – Legislation that directs the Director of Veterans' Affairs to move forward with the progression of the establishment of the Roseburg Oregon Veterans' Home, and setting aside over \$10 million dollars of funding for this important project, passes the Oregon House of Representatives.

Former State Representative and current Douglas County Commissioner Tim Freeman first introduced this important legislation while he was a member of the Oregon House of Representatives. "This legislation is as important to me now, as it was when I originally moved it forward while serving in the Legislature," said Commissioner Freeman. "I applaud the efforts of my colleagues on this needed progress and for insuring the related funding that was secured is still allocated to the project." The Roseburg Veterans' Home would serve Veterans' of Southwest Oregon and across the State. The Douglas County Commission supports this needed project in Roseburg and the positive impact it will bring to the region as a whole. "It is an honor to serve our Veterans and sponsor this and other programs and services that provide needed support to our Veterans' community and their families," said Douglas County Commissioner Chris Boice. "We must continue to move forward on this and other Veteran service projects and I thank Commissioner Freeman and all involved for their support of our Veterans."

The Roseburg Oregon Veterans' Home would place key Veteran services in Southwest Oregon. State Representative David Brock Smith (R-Port Orford) has been a long time and vocal supporter of Veterans Services. As the son of Frank W. Smith, USN Lieutenant Commander, Mustang, Ret., Rep. Brock Smith has a deep appreciation of our Military Veterans and their families. "Our Veterans and their families have sacrificed; some with their lives, for the freedoms we hold dear today," said Rep. Brock Smith. "This Roseburg Oregon Veterans' Home will continue our part to insure broader Veterans services for our region."

As a former County Commissioner, liaison to the Veterans Service Office; that provides needed Veteran services to our communities, and AOC District 4 Chair that worked for the residents of Curry, Coos, Josephine and Douglas Counties, Representative David Brock Smith has advocated for this project, funding and expanded Veteran services to our Southwest Oregon region for many years. "It continues to be an honor to support this and other Veteran projects that provide needed services," said Rep. Brock Smith. "I sincerely appreciate the work of Commissioner Freeman, and our colleagues support for our Southwest Oregon Veterans, their families and the communities they call home."

Rep. David Brock Smith represents House District 1, which includes Curry, Coos, Douglas and Josephine counties. This press release and an archive of previous press releases issued by Rep. David Brock Smith's office are available on the web at: www.oregonlegislature.gov/smithd.

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