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House Bill 5638 (as passed by the House) Sponsor: Representative Janet Kukuk House Committee: Veterans Affairs

Senate Committee: Human Resources, Labor, Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs

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CONTENT

The bill would create a new act to designate December 7 each year as "Pearl Harbor Day", in commemoration of "this historic and tragic attack".

The bill specifies that the Legislature would encourage individuals, governmental and educational institutions, and community organizations to pause on December 7 and reflect upon the courage and sacrifice of those who died or were injured in the attack.

Further, the bill contains a statement of legislative recognition, as follows:

The legislature recognizes the enormous sacrifice made by the 2,335 servicemen and servicewomen who gave their lives in the defense of this nation during the Japanese surprise attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Another 1,143 servicemen and servicewomen were injured during the attack. The legislature further recognizes that the attack on Pearl Harbor changed the course of history by bringing the United States into the war with Japan and Germany.

Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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