

House Bill 2630

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Permits state employee or state officer to authorize deduction from salary or wages for Oregon Veterans' Home Account.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to Oregon Veterans' Home Account; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 408.368.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. Any state official authorized to disburse funds in payment of salaries or wages of state officers or employees is authorized, upon written request of the officer or employee, to deduct each month from the salary or wages of the officer or employee the amount of money designated by the officer or employee for payment to the Oregon Veterans' Home Account created under ORS 408.368. The moneys deducted from the salaries or wages shall be paid over promptly to the Oregon Veterans' Home Account to be used solely for the purposes set forth in ORS 408.368 (1). Subject to any rules adopted by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, the state official authorized to disburse funds in payment of salaries or wages may prescribe any procedures necessary to carry out this section.

SECTION 2. ORS 408.368 is amended to read:

408.368. (1) There is created in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund, the Oregon Veterans' Home Account. Moneys credited to the account are appropriated continuously to the Director of Veterans' Affairs to pay expenses that the director determines are appropriate for developing, operating and maintaining each Oregon Veterans' Home including, but not limited to, providing care and services to the residents of each home and the costs of administration incurred by the director.

(2) The account shall consist of moneys received by the director that relate to the development, operation or maintenance of each Oregon Veterans' Home, including but not limited to residents' fees and charges, per diem payments received from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, [and] Medicare payments **and moneys received under section 1 of this 2007 Act**. The director may transfer moneys to the account from the Oregon War Veterans' Fund and from other funds and accounts administered by the director.

(3) Earnings on moneys in the account shall be credited to the account.

(4) Disbursements from the account may be made by the director for the purposes set forth in subsection (1) of this section. The director may also transfer moneys from the account to the Oregon War Veterans' Fund.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.