

**Enrolled**  
**House Bill 3470**

Sponsored by Representative COWAN; Representatives C EDWARDS, HOLVEY, MATTHEWS, MAURER

CHAPTER .....

AN ACT

Relating to veterans; and prescribing an effective date.

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

**SECTION 1.** As used in section 3, Article XI-A of the Oregon Constitution, “veteran” means a person who:

- (1) Served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States:
  - (a) For a period of more than 90 consecutive days beginning on or before January 31, 1955, and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions;
  - (b) For a period of more than 178 consecutive days beginning after January 31, 1955, and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions;
  - (c) For 178 days or less and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions because of a service-connected disability;
  - (d) For 178 days or less and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions and has a disability rating from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; or
  - (e) For at least one day in a combat zone and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions;
- (2) Received a combat, expeditionary or campaign ribbon or medal for service in the Armed Forces of the United States and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions; or
- (3) Is receiving a nonservice-connected pension from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

**SECTION 2.** This 2009 Act does not take effect unless the amendment to the Oregon Constitution proposed by House Joint Resolution 7 (2009) is approved by the people at the next regular general election held throughout this state. If House Joint Resolution 7 (2009) is approved by the people, this 2009 Act takes effect on January 1, 2011.

**Passed by House April 27, 2009**

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Chief Clerk of House

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Speaker of House

**Passed by Senate May 28, 2009**

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President of Senate

**Received by Governor:**

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**Approved:**

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Governor

**Filed in Office of Secretary of State:**

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Secretary of State