

House Joint Resolution 3

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SUMMARY

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Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution changing requirements for veteran eligibility for loans from Oregon War Veterans' Fund.

Refers proposed amendment to people for their approval or rejection at next general election held throughout this state.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

PARAGRAPH 1. Section 3, Article XI-A of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is amended to read:

Sec. 3. No person shall receive money from the Oregon War Veterans' Fund except the following:

(1) A person who:

(a) Resides in the State of Oregon at the time of applying for a loan from the fund;

(b) Served honorably in active duty, other than active duty for training, in the Armed Forces of the United States:

(A) For a period of *[not less than 210]* **more than 178 consecutive days and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions;**

(B) **For 178 days or less and was** *[days or who was, prior to completion of such period of service,]* discharged or released from active duty *[on account of]* **under honorable conditions because of a service-connected** *[injury or illness]* **disability;** or

[(B)] (C) In a theater of operations for which a campaign or expeditionary ribbon or medal is authorized by the United States; **and**

(c) Has been honorably separated or discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States or has been furloughed to a reserve*[: and]*.

[(d) Makes application for a loan within the 30-year period immediately following the date on which the person was released from active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.]

(2)(a) The spouse of a person who is qualified to receive a loan under subsection (1) of this section but who has either been missing in action or a prisoner of war while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States even though the status of missing or being a prisoner occurred prior to completion of the minimum length of service or residence set forth in subsection (1) of this section, provided the spouse resides in this state at the time of application for the loan.

(b) The surviving spouse of a person who was qualified to receive a loan under subsection (1) of this section but who died while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States even though the death occurred prior to completion of the minimum length of service or residence set forth in subsection (1) of this section, provided the surviving spouse resides in this state at the time

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.

1 of application for the loan.

2 (c) The eligibility of a surviving spouse under this subsection shall terminate on his or her re-
3 marriage.

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5 **PARAGRAPH 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the**
6 **people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout**
7 **this state.**

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