Senate Bill 95

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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.**

Allows certain veterans to receive state aid for course of study or professional training and federal aid concurrently.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to benefits for performing military service; creating new provisions; amending ORS 408.020; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 408.020 is amended to read:

- 408.020. (1) Beneficiaries who desire to pursue an approved course of study or professional training in or in connection with any accredited state or other public school or accredited private school or accredited college shall have the right and privilege of state financial aid as provided in ORS 408.010 to 408.090.
- (2) State financial aid is payable at the rate of \$150 per month for each month of full-time study or training and \$100 per month for each month of part-time study or training.
- (3) The total number of monthly payments under subsection (2) of this section may not exceed the total number of months served in the Armed Forces of the United States or 36, whichever is less.
- (4) The Director of Veterans' Affairs may permit a beneficiary to attend a school or college outside of this state upon a satisfactory showing that the training required is not available in an accredited institution within this state.
- (5) [A beneficiary may not receive payments or benefits under ORS 408.010 to 408.090 at the same time that the beneficiary is receiving educational aid under any federal Act based upon prior service in the Armed Forces.] Time spent by a person who applies for benefits under ORS 408.010 to 408.090 in the army specialized training program, the Navy V-12 program or other like training program may not be counted as service in the Armed Forces of the United States within the purview of ORS 408.010.
- SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 408.020 by section 1 of this 2009 Act first apply to the academic term beginning in fall 2009.
- <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect on its passage.

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