

House Bill 3205

Sponsored by Representative ESQUIVEL; Representatives BARKER, BOONE, HUFFMAN, MATTHEWS, THATCHER, WHISNANT, WITT, Senator DEVLIN

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**.

Creates Oregon Veterans' Business Enterprise Program.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Veterans' Affairs for purposes of program.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to Oregon Veterans' Business Enterprise Program; and appropriating money.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Veterans' Business Enterprise Program is created to provide**
5 **financial assistance to Oregon veterans for the purpose of starting a new business or ex-**
6 **panding an existing business.**

7 **(2) The program shall assist Oregon veterans by providing financial assistance for busi-**
8 **ness needs that include, but are not limited to:**

9 **(a) Licensing and permits;**

10 **(b) Educational, vocational or other types of training;**

11 **(c) Advertising; and**

12 **(d) Equipment.**

13 **(3) The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall administer the program created in sub-**
14 **section (1) of this section and shall adopt rules to implement and carry out the purposes of**
15 **the program, including but not limited to establishing procedures for applying for financial**
16 **assistance and criteria for determining eligibility to receive financial assistance.**

17 **(4) As used in this section, "veteran" has the meaning given that term in ORS 408.500.**

18 **SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
19 **ated to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, out of**
20 **the General Fund, the amount of \$250,000, which may be expended for the purposes of car-**
21 **rying out section 1 of this 2011 Act.**

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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.