

House Bill 3416

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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**.

Establishes World War II Memorial Task Force to arrange for development, design and construction of memorial to honor Oregon's World War II veterans.

Exempts memorial from certain land use laws.

Directs Department of Veterans' Affairs to maintain finished memorial.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to a memorial to Oregon's World War II veterans; and declaring an emergency.

2 Whereas 16 million Americans served during World War II; and

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4 Whereas 152,000 Oregonians served during World War II and 3,757 Oregonians were killed in
5 action; and

6 Whereas about 1,000 World War II veterans die every day in America; and

7 Whereas Oregon is home to about 30,000 World War II veterans; and

8 Whereas it is important to honor this "Greatest Generation" of veterans and their families for
9 their service and sacrifice in a timely manner; now, therefore,

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

11 **SECTION 1. (1) The World War II Memorial Task Force is established. The Director of**
12 **Veterans' Affairs shall be one of the cochairpersons of the task force. The director shall**
13 **appoint another cochairperson of the task force, and the cochairpersons may appoint other**
14 **members at their discretion.**

15 **(2) The task force shall:**

16 **(a) Arrange for the development, design and construction of a memorial to honor**
17 **Oregon's World War II veterans in the Capitol Mall area near the corner of Court Street and**
18 **Cottage Street in the City of Salem, Marion County, Oregon;**

19 **(b) Seek the input of World War II veterans, as appropriate; and**

20 **(c) Coordinate fundraising efforts for the memorial with the Oregon State Capitol Foun-**
21 **datation established in ORS 173.500.**

22 **(3) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**
23 **of business.**

24 **(4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**
25 **of the task force.**

26 **(5) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-**
27 **ment to become immediately effective.**

28 **(6) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of one of the**
29 **cochairpersons or of a majority of the members of the task force.**

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 (7) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

2 (8) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for
3 expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

4 (9) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the
5 task force in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to
6 confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force
7 consider necessary to perform their duties.

8 SECTION 2. (1) A World War II memorial constructed by the World War II Memorial
9 Task Force created in section 1 of this 2011 Act is an outright permitted use without taking
10 an exception under ORS 197.732 to the statewide land use planning goals or changing the
11 acknowledged comprehensive plan or land use regulations of Marion County.

12 (2) The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall maintain the finished memorial.

13 SECTION 3. This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
14 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect
15 on its passage.
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