

# Senate Bill 278

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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**.

Directs Department of Veterans' Affairs to develop and implement program designed to encourage women who are veterans to take advantage of health care benefits provided by United States Department of Veterans Affairs. Requires department to report on program to appropriate interim committees of Legislative Assembly every two years.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund for purposes of developing and implementing program. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to women who are veterans; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall develop and implement a**  
5 **program designed to encourage women who are veterans of all eras of service to take ad-**  
6 **vantage of the health care benefits provided by the United States Department of Veterans**  
7 **Affairs.**

8 **(2) On or before October 31 of each even-numbered year, the department shall report to**  
9 **the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly on the program.**

10 **SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**  
11 **ated to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, out of**  
12 **the General Fund, the amount of \$100,000, which may be expended for the purpose of carry-**  
13 **ing out the provisions of section 1 of this 2011 Act.**

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

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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.