

Senate Bill 279

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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 establish toll-free telephone line to assist victims of military sexual trauma.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to department for purposes of establishing and operating telephone line.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to military sexual trauma; 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 establish a toll-free telephone**
5 **line to assist victims of military sexual trauma. The telephone line must be available 24**
6 **hours a day, seven days a week.**

7 **(2) The department may contract with another entity to establish and operate the tele-**
8 **phone line.**

9 **SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
10 **ated to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, out of**
11 **the General Fund, the amount of \$250,000, which may be expended for the purpose of carry-**
12 **ing out the provisions of section 1 of this 2011 Act.**

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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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.