

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 535**

Ordered by the Senate February 23  
Including Senate Amendments dated February 23

Sponsored by Senator BOQUIST (Presession filed.)

**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.

Provides that armory may be constructed outside of city.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

1  
2 Relating to armories; amending ORS 396.530 and 396.540; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 396.530 is amended to read:

5 396.530. Armories may be constructed in [*such cities*] **locations** not already provided with ar-  
6 mories or in which existing armories are inadequate, where one or more units of the organized  
7 militia, fully organized under this chapter and ORS chapters 398 and 399, may be located and where,  
8 in the judgment of the military department, it will be most convenient to the units, and where most  
9 needed. All title to the armory and grounds upon which it is situated shall vest in the State of  
10 Oregon.

11 **SECTION 2.** ORS 396.540 is amended to read:

12 396.540. (1) Armories may be used by members and units of the organized militia in accordance  
13 with regulations issued pursuant to this chapter and ORS chapters 398 and 399.

14 (2) Armories may be used by any veterans' organizations and their auxiliaries located in the  
15 [*city, town or*] community where the armory is located, provided such use will not interfere with the  
16 use of the facilities by the organized militia or result in risk to federal or state property, and pro-  
17 vided that the organization makes a written request therefor and pays for heat, lights, janitor ser-  
18 vice and other expense required by such use.

19 (3) Armories may be used by any federal, state, county and municipal bureau, agency or de-  
20 partment or by the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Coast Guard, or by the reserve  
21 components thereof for their official business, provided that such use does not interfere with the  
22 members and units of the organized militia stationed in such armory, and provided that such use is  
23 approved by the officer in charge thereof and by military superiors as prescribed by military de-  
24 partment regulations issued pursuant to this chapter and ORS chapters 398 and 399.

25 (4) Armories may be rented for use by a person, firm, association or corporation, not specified  
26 elsewhere in this section, for such purposes and upon such terms as may be approved by the officer  
27 in charge of the armory and by military superiors as prescribed by military department regulations  
28 issued pursuant to this chapter and ORS chapters 398 and 399 and provided that such use will not,

**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 and only so long as such use does not, interfere with the use of the armory by the members and  
2 units of the organized militia stationed therein.

3 (5) The Oregon National Guard Association described in ORS 399.460 may use an armory or  
4 other military facility at no cost, provided that the use is approved by the officer in charge and by  
5 military superiors as prescribed by military department regulations issued pursuant to this chapter  
6 and ORS chapters 398 and 399.

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

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