

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means

**Vote:** 7 - 0 - 0

**Yeas:** Boone, Esquivel, Fagan, Huffman, Parrish, Witt, Matthews

**Nays:** 0

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/4, 2/11

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires public universities and community colleges charge in-state tuition of veteran graduate student with either honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions, beginning September 15, 2014, if physical presence in Oregon shown within 12 months of enrollment.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Whether cumulative effect of additional waivers will result in fiscal impact
- “Tuition Fairness Act” (HR 357) pending in U.S. Senate

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Makes applicable to newly enrolled veteran graduate students as of fall 2014.

**BACKGROUND:** In 2013, the legislature passed House Bill 2158, relaxing residency requirements for out-of-state veterans newly-enrolling in undergraduate programs at public institutions, so long as the veteran received an honorable discharge, or a general discharge under honorable conditions, and was physically present in Oregon within 12 months of enrollment. House Bill 4021A extends in-state tuition to include nonresident veteran graduate students as well.