HB 4023-3 (LC 133) 2/11/14 (BHC/ps)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4023

1 On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, line 2, delete "appropriating money;".

2 After line 2, insert:

"Whereas the Warm Springs Reservation was founded by the Treaty with
the Tribes of Middle Oregon, 12 Stat. 963 (1855); and

⁵ "Whereas the sovereign tribes and bands, now recognized as the Confed-⁶ erated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, have continued ⁷ to operate, governing under a constitutional form of government; and

8 "Whereas veterans who are members of the Confederated Tribes have 9 served the United States of America with distinction and honor and have 10 made willing sacrifices during our nation's wars, conflicts and national se-11 curity missions dating to the Early Indian Wars of Oregon; and

¹² "Whereas the State of Oregon has honored veterans, including veterans ¹³ of foreign wars, with honorific signs on U.S. Highway 97, Interstate 84, ¹⁴ Interstate 205, State Highway 126 and State Highway 62 as a tribute to all ¹⁵ of the men and women who have answered our nation's call to military ser-¹⁶ vice; and

Whereas the State of Oregon has not designated any highway in Oregon to honor the unique history and heritage of veterans of the Confederated Tribes since the founding of the Warm Springs Reservation; and

²⁰ "Whereas an approximately 35-mile section of U.S. Highway 26, which ²¹ traverses the Warm Springs Reservation, lies within a right of way granted ²² by the United States in accordance with 25 U.S.C. 311 and is not named for 1 or designated to honor any veteran; and

² "Whereas an honorary designation of the portion of U.S. Highway 26 that ³ traverses the Warm Springs Reservation does not require a change in the ⁴ name or designation of the highway; and

⁵ "Whereas The Museum at Warm Springs on U.S. Highway 26 contains ⁶ memorials and displays commemorating a call to serve our nation in the ⁷ defense of peace, freedom and vital national interests by veterans who are ⁸ members of the Confederated Tribes; and

9 "Whereas 499 veterans who are members of the Confederated Tribes are 10 listed as having answered our nation's call to duty and served with honor, 11 dedication and selfless conviction, and some of those veterans made the su-12 preme sacrifice, giving their lives in defense of our nation during the fol-13 lowing eras of armed hostilities and related missions:

¹⁴ "Early Indian Wars of Oregon (Modoc and Snake Indian Wars) - 97;

15 "World War I - 14;

16 "World War II - 114;

17 "Korean War - 97;

18 "Vietnam War - 107;

¹⁹ "Global War on Terrorism - 70; and

"Whereas Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4217 in Warm Springs is named 20in honor of Elliott Palmer, an Army veteran killed during World War II; and 21"Whereas American Legion Post 48 is named in honor of Eugene A. 22'Cougar' Greene Sr., a distinguished recipient of the Army Silver Star, which 23he earned in the Korean War for conspicuous courage under enemy fire; and 24"Whereas designation of U.S. Highway 26 as the Warm Springs Veterans 25Memorial Highway will preserve and foster a sense of patriotism and honor 26the enduring warrior spirit for all tribal veterans and their families, tribal 27members, all military veterans and highway travelers; and 28

²⁹ "Whereas the Warm Springs community and veterans have offered to pay ³⁰ for the design, fabrication, installation and maintenance of signs meeting 1 standards of the Department of Transportation without cost to taxpayers or

2 the State of Oregon; now, therefore,".

3 Delete lines 4 through 27 and delete <u>page 2</u> and insert:

4 "<u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The portion of U.S. Highway 26 within the Warm
5 Springs Reservation shall be known as the Warm Springs Veterans
6 Memorial Highway.

"(2) The Department of Transportation shall place and maintain
suitable markers along the highway described in this section that indicate the designation of the highway as the Warm Springs Veterans
Memorial Highway.

"(3)(a) The department may accept moneys from, and may enter
 into agreements with, veterans groups to create, install and maintain
 the markers.

"(b) The department may not use public funds for the installation
 and maintenance of the markers.

"SECTION 2. Section 3 of this 2014 Act is added to and made a part
 of ORS 475.300 to 475.346.

"SECTION 3. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall reduce the 18 amount of the fee described in ORS 475.309 (2) by an amount described 19 in subsection (2) of this section for a person who provides the au-20thority, at the time of applying for a registry identification card, with 21proof that the person is a veteran who has received a disability rating 22of 100 percent from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. 23"(2) The discount described in subsection (1) of this section is equal 24to the greatest reduction in the amount of the fee established by the 25authority as described in ORS 475.309 (2) that is available to a person 26who provides the authority, at the time of applying for a registry 27identification card, with proof that the person receives a form of as-28sistance payment from the state or federal government. 29

³⁰ "SECTION 4. This 2014 Act being necessary for the immediate

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- 1 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
- 2 declared to exist, and this 2014 Act takes effect on its passage.".

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