



**Senate Veterans and Emergency Preparedness Committee  
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**Detail on SB 250 Repealed Statutes**

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**REPEAL ORS 406.500**

**406.500 World War II Memorial Task Force.** (1) The World War II Memorial Task Force is established. The Director of Veterans' Affairs shall be one of the cochairpersons of the task force. The director shall appoint another cochairperson of the task force, and the cochairpersons may appoint other members at their discretion.

(2) The task force shall:

(a) Solicit private funding for the development, design and construction of a memorial to honor Oregon's World War II veterans;

(b) After arranging for full funding for the memorial under paragraph (a) of this subsection, arrange for the development, design and construction of the memorial in the Capitol Mall area near the corner of Court Street and Cottage Street in the City of Salem, Marion County, Oregon; and

(c) Seek the input of World War II veterans, as appropriate.

(3) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members of the task force.

(5) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

(6) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of one of the cochairpersons or of a majority of the members of the task force.

(7) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

(8) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

(9) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the task force in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force consider necessary to perform their duties. [2011 c.463 §1]

**Note:** 406.500 and 406.505 were enacted into law by the Legislative Assembly but were not added to or made a part of ORS chapter 406 or any series therein by legislative action. See Preface to Oregon Revised Statutes for further explanation.

**REPEAL ORS 407.582**

**407.582 Establishment of program; eligibility; rules.** (1) As used in this section:

(a) "Deployment" means an act in which a person was ordered to active duty and was deployed outside the United States.

(b) "Mobilization" means an act in which a person left the person's home station and was transferred to a mobilization site for federal service.

(c) "Small business" means a business that:

(A) Is a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship or other legal entity licensed and located in Oregon and formed for the purpose of making a profit, and that is independently owned and operated from all other businesses; and

(B) Employs 50 or fewer persons.

(d) "Veteran" means a person who owns a controlling interest in a small business and who, at the time of the person's mobilization or deployment, is:

(A) A member of the Oregon National Guard; or

(B) A member of the reserves of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States and a resident of Oregon.

(2) There is established in the Department of Veterans' Affairs the Veterans' Small Business Repair Loan Program. The purpose of the program is to assist any veteran whose small business, due to the veteran's absence, incurred a setback during the veteran's mobilization or deployment by providing an interest-free loan to the veteran upon the veteran's return from mobilization or deployment. The loan shall be used by the veteran to restore the veteran's small business, to the extent feasible, to the condition the small business was in prior to the veteran's mobilization or deployment.

(3) A veteran may receive a maximum of two loans under the program. Each loan may not exceed \$20,000. Application for a loan must be made within 12 months after demobilization.

(4) The department shall adopt by rule:

(a) Criteria that a small business must meet to qualify as having incurred a business setback while the veteran was mobilized or deployed;

(b) The application process and any necessary forms;

(c) Terms of loan repayment; and

(d) Other criteria and processes necessary to carry out the purposes of the program.

(5) If a veteran is deceased as a result of the veteran's mobilization or deployment, the unremarried surviving spouse of the deceased veteran is eligible to apply for and receive a loan to continue the veteran's small business.

(6) If a veteran is at the time of the loan application no longer a member of the Oregon National Guard or the reserves, the veteran must have been discharged under honorable conditions.

(7) The Department of Veterans' Affairs, in consultation with the Oregon Business Development Department, shall review and reject or approve loan applications submitted by veterans.

(8) Repayments of loans made under this section shall be deposited in the Veterans' Small Business Repair Loan Fund established under ORS 407.585. [2008 c.18 §19]

**Note:** 407.582 and 407.585 were enacted into law by the Legislative Assembly but were not added to or made a part of ORS chapter 407 or any series therein by legislative action. See Preface to Oregon Revised Statutes for further explanation.

**407.585 Veterans' Small Business Repair Loan Fund.** The Veterans' Small Business Repair Loan Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Veterans' Small Business Repair Loan Fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys received from legislative appropriations and repayments of loans shall be credited to the fund. Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the purposes of funding loans under ORS 407.582. [2008 c.18 §20]

**Note:** See note under 407.582.

## **REPEAL ORS 408.095**

**408.095 Campus Veterans' Service Officers Program; rules.** (1) As used in this section, "community college" has the meaning given that term in ORS 341.005.

(2) There is created in the Department of Veterans' Affairs the Campus Veterans' Service Officers Program.

(3) The purpose of the program is to provide educational outreach to veterans to help ensure that they obtain maximum state and federal benefits.

(4) The department shall appoint a sufficient number of campus veterans' service officers to ensure that each Oregon community college and each public university listed in ORS 352.002 is provided veterans' services.

(5) Each community college and public university shall provide office space that may be used for the provision of veterans' services.

(6) The department may adopt rules to implement the Campus Veterans' Service Officers Program. [2009 c.759 §1; 2011 c.637 §267; 2013 c.768 §141]

**Note:** The amendments to 408.095 by section 141, chapter 768, Oregon Laws 2013, become operative July 1, 2014. See section 171, chapter 768, Oregon Laws 2013. The text that is operative until July 1, 2014, is set forth for the user's convenience.

## **REPEAL ORS 408.480**

**408.480 Care of veterans ineligible for federal home.** In case of the establishment of a national soldiers' home or branch thereof at or near Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon, and any persons lawfully entitled prior to February 26, 1931, to be cared for in the Oregon State Soldiers' Home formerly located at that location and not to be cared for in said national soldiers' home or branch thereof, then the Department of Human Services shall have authority to enter into contract with the United States Government for the care of such persons in such home.

## **REPEAL ORS 408.750**

**408.750 When county court must aid veterans; necessity of veterans organization's consent before sending veterans to poorhouse.** (1) If there is no war veterans organization within any county in this state, the county judge thereof shall undertake the relief provided for in ORS 408.720.

(2) The county judge in a county in which there is a war veterans organization, shall not send to the county poorhouse any person for whom relief is provided by ORS 408.720, without first obtaining the consent of the organization's commander or executive head. All the indigent persons named in ORS 408.720 shall be provided for, so far as practicable, at their homes.