

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Judiciary

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Reduces required age for concealed handgun license applicant to eighteen years of age if applicant is a servicemember.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment

BACKGROUND: ORS 166.291 contains the rubric for a concealed handgun license applicant. The law sets out a number of requirements which include age, citizenship or residency and the passing of a criminal background check. The law currently states that an applicant must be at least twenty one years of age to apply. Senate Bill 636 lowers the age requirement to eighteen if the concealed handgun license applicant is a servicemember. Servicemember is given the same meaning as ORS 135.881, where the term is defined as: 1) a current member of the Armed Forces of the United States; 2) A current member of the reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States; 3) A current member of the National Guard; 4) A past member of any of the aforementioned who received an honorable discharge, a general discharge under honorable conditions or a discharge under other than honorable conditions.