78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY--2015 Regular Session

Senate Bill 157

Sponsored by Senators MONNES ANDERSON, BOQUIST; Senator KNOPP (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 **as introduced**.

Directs Department of Veterans' Affairs to submit report to interim legislative committees, no later than July 1, 2016, regarding implementation of veterans' and servicemembers' specialty treatment courts.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to specialty treatment courts for servicemembers; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) No later than July 1, 2016, the Department of Veterans' Affairs shall

5 submit a report to the interim legislative committees on veterans' affairs regarding the im-

6 plementation of specialty treatment courts for veterans and servicemembers in this state.

7 (2) The report shall include but not be limited to the following:

8 (a) A summary of the different types of specialty treatment courts implemented in other

9 states for veterans and servicemembers, and the benefits and costs of implementing each
10 type;

11 (b) A summary of existing services and interventions provided for veterans and 12 servicemembers who become involved in the criminal justice system in this state;

(c) Recommendations for legislation to implement specialty treatment courts for veter ans and servicemembers; and

(d) A summary of standards to evaluate and measure outcomes of recidivism for partic ipants in specialty treatment courts for veterans and servicemembers.

17 <u>SECTION 2.</u> This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 18 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect 19 on its passage.

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