

HB 2891 B BUDGET REPORT and MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Evans

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Action Date: 06/21/17

Action: Do pass with amendments to the A-Eng bill. (Printed B-Eng.)

House Vote

Yeas: 11 - Gomberg, Holvey, Huffman, McLane, Nathanson, Rayfield, Smith G, Smith Warner, Stark, Whisnant, Williamson

Senate Vote

Yeas: 12 - DeBoer, Devlin, Frederick, Girod, Hansell, Johnson, Manning Jr, Monroe, Roblan, Steiner Hayward, Thomsen, Winters

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**Department of Veterans' Affairs
2017-19**

Budget Summary

	2015-17	2017-19	2017-19	Committee Change from	
	Legislatively Approved Budget	Current Service Level	Committee Recommendation	2015-17 Leg. Approved	
				\$ Change	% Change
Lottery Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 555,000	\$ 555,000	100.0%
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 555,000	\$ 555,000	100.0%

Position Summary

Authorized Positions	0	0	0
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions	0.00	0.00	0.00

Summary of Revenue Changes

House Bill 2891 creates the Oregon Department of Veterans’ Affairs Veteran Services Grant Fund (VSG). The bill provides \$550,000 Lottery Funds expenditure limitation for the VSG fund from the lottery moneys allocated from the Veterans’ Services Fund established under Article XV, section 4f of the Oregon Constitution for grants for the benefit of veterans, including expanding outreach and services and promoting mental and physical health care, housing security, employment opportunities, education and transportation accessibility. An additional \$5,000 Lottery Funds limitation from the lottery moneys allocated from the Veterans’ Services Fund established under Article XV, section 4f of the Oregon Constitution is provided for costs to administer the VSG.

Summary of Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee Action

This bill creates the Oregon Department of Veterans’ Affairs VSG Fund. The bill authorizes ODVA to make grants in the amount of \$25,000 to \$250,000 per recipient from the fund for the benefit of veterans, including expanding outreach and services, and promoting mental and physical health care, housing security, employment opportunities, education, and transportation accessibility. Grants may also be awarded to promote veterans’ organizations that provide critical services for veterans within a community, region or on a statewide basis.

The Subcommittee adopted amendments to: (1) change the name of the fund established from the Oregon Department of Veterans’ Affairs Advisory Committee Grant Fund to the Department of Veterans’ Affairs Veteran Services Grant Fund; (2) make ODVA responsible for awarding grants from the fund; (3) require the adoption of rules for the VSG with the advice of the Advisory Committee; (4) provide \$550,000 in Lottery Funds for the VSG and \$5,000 in Lottery Funds for costs to administer the fund.

Veterans’ Services Programs

The Subcommittee approved \$555,000 Lottery Funds limitation to ODVA to provide grants for the benefit of veterans, as stated in the bill, and costs to administer the fund.

DETAIL OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ACTION

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DESCRIPTION	GENERAL FUND	LOTTERY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS		FEDERAL FUNDS		TOTAL ALL FUNDS	POS	FTE
			LIMITED	NONLIMITED	LIMITED	NONLIMITED			
<u>SUBCOMMITTEE ADJUSTMENTS</u>									
SCR 002 - Veterans' Services Program									
Services and Supplies	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000		
Special Payments (Dist. to Non-Gov't agencies)	\$ -	\$ 550,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550,000		
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	\$ -	\$ 555,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 555,000		
SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION *	\$ -	\$ 555,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 555,000		

*Excludes Capital Construction Expenditures