

I'm writing to express my support for House Bill 4007 (HB 4007).

As a US Army Veteran who served for eight years (1995-2003) and came home after Afghanistan, I am well aware of the challenges military Veterans face when reintegrating back into civilian life.

As a health systems specialist with the Departments of Veterans Affairs, working at our local VA hospital in Portland, I know that statistics show that 1 in 8 homeless Americans are ... US Veterans. What a tragic reality for our nation's heroes.

We can do better and I am confident that the increase on document recording fees from \$20 to \$75 would raise revenue to combat the current reality of Oregonians being priced out of their communities.

And, with 25% of the revenue going directly to increase opportunities for affordable housing for Veterans, I am confident that this bill will have a positive impact on Oregon's Veterans and their families.

I am imploring Legislators in Salem to vote Yes on HB 4007 and support Oregon's Veterans and their families.

Thank you,

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