

HB 4040 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 2/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes the Oregon Military Families Education and Workforce Preparedness Scholarship within the Oregon Military Department. Establishes the Oregon Military Families Education and Workforce Preparedness Scholarship Advisory Committee. Defines “Veteran” as:

- Individuals who:
 - Served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States
 - For a period of more than 90 days prior to January 31, 1955
 - For a period of more than 178 days after January 31, 1955
 - For 178 days or less and was discharged under honorable conditions due to a service-connected disability
 - For 178 days or less and was discharged under honorable conditions and has a disability rating from the US Department of Veterans Affairs
 - For at least one day in a combat zone and was discharged or released under honorable conditions
 - Received a combat or campaign ribbon or an expeditionary medal for service in the Armed Forces of the United States and was discharged under honorable conditions
 - Is receiving a nonservice-connected pension from the US Department of Veterans Affairs
 - Is a member of the Oregon National Guard, available for deployment and in good standing

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The State of Oregon currently does provide scholarships for members of the Oregon National Guard prior to 178 days of active service. House Bill 4040 would provide a scholarship for Oregon veterans and Oregon National Guard Members and their family members.