

Enrolled House Bill 4098

Sponsored by Representatives MEEK, EVANS, Senator BOQUIST, Representatives HEARD, MCKEOWN; Representatives FAHEY, GREENLICK, KENY-GUYER, LEWIS, LIVELY, MCLAIN, NOBLE, PILUSO, POST, SANCHEZ, SMITH DB, SOLLMAN, WHISNANT, WITT, Senators MANNING JR, MONNES ANDERSON, OLSEN (Pre-session filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to veterans; creating new provisions; amending ORS 406.448; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2018 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 406.

SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:

(a) “County veterans’ service officer” means a county veterans’ service officer appointed under ORS 408.410.

(b) “Veterans’ organization” means a veterans’ organization that has been accredited by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

(2) The Department of Veterans’ Affairs shall, in consultation with the Apprenticeship and Training Division of the Bureau of Labor and Industries, prepare written material in print or electronic form regarding opportunities to work as an apprentice, as defined in ORS 660.010, in this state. The department shall update the material at least once per calendar year.

(3) The Department of Veterans’ Affairs shall make the material described in subsection (2) of this section available on a website maintained by the department and shall also provide the material to the following entities for distribution to veterans:

- (a) County veterans’ service officers;**
- (b) The Bureau of Labor and Industries;**
- (c) The Employment Department;**
- (d) The Oregon Military Department;**
- (e) The Oregon National Guard; and**
- (f) Any veterans’ organizations identified by the Department of Veterans’ Affairs.**

(4) The Department of Veterans’ Affairs shall provide annual training to county veterans’ service officers and veterans’ organizations regarding apprenticeship programs and federal and state veterans’ education benefits.

SECTION 3. ORS 406.448 is amended to read:

406.448. As used in ORS 406.450, 406.452, 406.454 and 406.456 and section 2 of this 2018 Act:

- (1) “Survivor of a veteran” means the spouse or a dependent of a deceased veteran.**
- (2) “Veteran” has the meaning given that term in ORS 408.225.**

SECTION 4. (1) Section 2 of this 2018 Act and the amendments to ORS 406.448 by section 3 of this 2018 Act become operative on January 1, 2019.

(2) The Bureau of Labor and Industries and the Department of Veterans' Affairs may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the bureau and the department to exercise, on or after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on the bureau and the department by section 2 of this 2018 Act.

SECTION 5. This 2018 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2018 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

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