

SB 462 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

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Meeting Dates: 5/14

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Provides that person who served in the United States Naval Construction Force, or "Seabees," is eligible to receive veterans' recognition registration plate.

Senate floor vote: 27-0

No fiscal impact

No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division (DMV) of the Oregon Department of Transportation offers a variety of vehicle registration plates (commonly called license plates) that identify veterans and veteran groups. Plates are available that identify Medal of Honor recipients, Purple Heart recipients, disabled veterans, and former prisoners of war. Plates are also available that identify the families of service members who were killed in action during an armed conflict, known as Gold Star families. Registration plates that identify veterans or eligible veteran-related groups, have a white background with four preassigned letters in blue, over the word "veteran" and an image of the American flag.

Senate Bill 462 expressly includes individuals who served in the U.S. Naval Construction Force, or "Seabees," as eligible to obtain veterans registration plates.