SB 690 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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Meeting Dates: 5/15, 5/20

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Removes sunset on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. Adds Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction and members of State Board of Education to Compact council. Changes meetings from every three months, to annually. Replaces Oregon Military Department with Department of Education for administration and staffing. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Purpose of measure
- Number of enlisted service members with families

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2014, the Legislative Assembly enacted Senate Bill 1506, enabling Oregon to participate in the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (the Compact). The Compact is concerned with the smooth transfer of students from school to school, who are the children of military parents, and provide consistency for children of military personnel as they transfer to new public schools.. An Interstate compact functions like a contract among participating states: each state enacts substantially similar provisions and avoids making unilateral changes to material terms in order to provide relative consistency from state-to-state. Oregon's participation in the Compact is scheduled to sunset December 31, 2019.