SB 802 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

Action Date:	03/27/19
Action:	Do pass and be referred to Student Success and to Ways and Means by prior reference.
Vote:	4-0-1-0
Yeas:	4 - Gelser, Hass, Thomsen, Wagner
Exc:	1 - Heard
Fiscal:	No fiscal impact
Revenue:	Revenue impact issued
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Meeting Dates:	3/20, 3/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Provides school residency to non-resident, military children in cases of official military transfers. Applies to military families covered in Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. Requires school district to provide same enrollment and class placement rights to eligible military children. Requires proof of residency within 10 days of transfer. Delays attendance requirements until 10 days after transfer. Allows school district to receive state funding after child arrives at school. Authorizes State Board of Education to adopt rules.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the bill
- Need to serve Oregon's military families
- Mobility of children from military families
- Importance of easing transitions for military children

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2014, the Oregon legislature adopted the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. The purpose of the compact is to reduce barriers and provide consistency for children of military personnel as they transfer to new public schools. The compact addresses enrollment, placement, attendance, eligibility and graduation issues. It applies to children of active duty and recently retired, medically discharged, or deceased military personnel. Senate Bill 802 permits families to use military orders to enroll children in school prior to moving into the district. The Department of Defense estimates that this measure would impact 650 children in Oregon.