SB 690 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

Action Date:	04/30/19
Action:	Do pass the A-Eng bill and be referred to Education by prior reference.
Vote:	8-0-0-0
Yeas:	8 - Evans, Findley, Lewis, Meek, Neron, Wallan, Wilde, Zika
Fiscal:	Has minimal fiscal impact
Revenue:	No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates:	4/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Repeals the sunset provision on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. Modifies membership, meeting requirements, and administrative support of the State Council for Education Opportunity for Military Children. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Impact of frequent moves on educational opportunities of military children
- Role of Oregon Military Department in addressing issue

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 is concerned with the smooth transfer of students from school to school who are the children of military parents. An Interstate compact functions like a contract among participating states in that 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 statutorily scheduled to sunset December 31, 2019.

Senate Bill 690-A lifts the sunset, allowing Compact activities to continue, and makes a number of other changes consistent with the Compact's current operation: adding the Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction and members of State Board of Education to the Compact council; allowing for annual meetings (instead of every three months); and replacing Oregon Military Department staff with Department of Education staff.