House Bill 2550

Sponsored by Representative EVANS (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

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Changes term of office and qualifications for appointment of Adjutant General.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Adjutant General; amending ORS 396.150.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 396.150 is amended to read:

396.150. (1) The Governor shall appoint an Adjutant General who shall hold office for a [four-year] three-year term or until relieved by reason of resignation, withdrawal of federal recognition or for cause to be determined by a court-martial. The Governor may reappoint the incumbent Adjutant General for another three-year term if the incumbent Adjutant General is eligible for reappointment under this section. The current term of an Adjutant General continues until its prescribed expiration date while such Adjutant General is serving in a federal active duty status under an order or call by the President of the United States. Voluntary entry onto extended active duty by a person holding the office of Adjutant General is an automatic resignation of such officer.

(2) A person is eligible for appointment to the office of Adjutant General if [is an officer of the Oregon National Guard, federally recognized in the grade of lieutenant colonel or higher, and has completed at least six years’ service in the Oregon National Guard as a federally recognized officer.]

(a) Served as a commissioned officer in the Armed Forces of the United States with:

(A) At least three years of service as a commissioned officer: (i) In the National Guard;

(ii) In the reserve component of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States; or

(iii) On active duty; and

(B) Not less than 10 years in any combination of commissioned officer service in the National Guard, the reserve components or on active duty;

(b) Attained at least a field grade rank as a commissioned officer in any of the Armed Forces of the United States; and

(c) Demonstrates experience, knowledge and skills in the areas of national security, homeland defense, emergency management and State of Oregon operations.

(3) The Adjutant General may be appointed in the grade of lieutenant colonel or higher, but not exceeding that of lieutenant general. If appointed in a lower grade, the Adjutant General may be promoted by the Governor to any grade not exceeding that of lieutenant general.

(3) The Governor shall appoint the Adjutant General subject to confirmation by the

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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Senate in the manner provided in ORS 171.562 and 171.565.

(4) As used in this section, “active duty” means full-time duty status in the active uniformed service of the United States, including members of the National Guard or the military reserve forces who are ordered to active duty pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 12301 et seq. and 12401 et seq. and members described in 32 U.S.C. 502(f).