

SB 101 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies the eligibility requirements and amounts for educational grants available to members of the Oregon National Guard. Modifies the definition of "qualified student" by requiring the student to accept available military assistance grants instead of all state and federal aid grants. Add fees and a book allowance to the potential grant amount. Enable the commission to determine whether enough funds are available to award grants and take appropriate action, including adjusting grant amounts.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The Student Tuition Assistance program was established in 2017
- Roughly \$1.1 million in assistance has been issued to 679 service members of the Oregon National Guard
- Value in recruitment and retention

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Adds language to enable the commission to determine whether enough funds are available to award grants and take appropriate action, including adjusting grant amounts.

BACKGROUND: