SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 5535 Military Department

To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Public Safety Subcommittee

Carrier: Representative Stark

SB 5535 is the budget bill for the Oregon Military Department. The Military Department has a dual mission - to provide trained personnel and equipment to protect life and property in Oregon, under the direction of the Governor; and to provide combat-ready personnel and equipment for national defense under the direction of the President.

The Subcommittee recommends a total funds budget of \$1.1 billion and 564 positions, 515.30 FTE. This budget includes investments in the Office of Emergency Management totaling \$7.2 million General Fund and 35 new positions to maintain recovery efforts from our recent federally-declared disasters and to enhance the state's emergency preparedness capabilities. An increase of \$820 million Federal Funds expenditure limitation will allow the agency to pass through an unprecedented amount of federal reimbursement payments on a timely basis, and an increase of \$40 million Other Funds expenditure limitation will enable the agency to pass through increased 9-1-1 Tax revenues to public safety answering points throughout the state. The recently-expanded Oregon Youth Challenge Program received a total funds increase of \$1.3 million to pay for the larger classes of cadets that will return to the program's expanded campus in Bend later this year.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends SB 5535 be amended by the -1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.