### SB 307 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

# **House Committee On General Government**

**Action Date:** 05/13/21

Action: Do Pass. Vote: 4-0-1-0

Yeas: 4 - Leif, Valderrama, Wilde, Zika

Exc: 1 - Lively

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued **Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/11, 5/13

# WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires Oregon Health Authority to waive fees for the issuance or renewal of a medical marijuana card for veterans who have total disability rating of at least 50 percent as result of injury or illness incurred or aggravated during active military service, and who received discharge or release under other than dishonorable conditions.

# **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

Provisions of measure

### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

# **BACKGROUND:**

Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 67 in 1998 allowing the medical use of marijuana in Oregon within specified limits. Under the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program, qualified patients ("registry identification cardholders") may grow plants for themselves, designate a grower and grow site on their behalf, or purchase marijuana items from medical marijuana dispensaries or licensed recreational retail establishments. As of January 2021, there were 22,603 registered cardholders in the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program. The Oregon Health Authority charges a \$200 fee for new cardholder applications and renewals, while charging reduced fees for certain applicants. Individuals applying for or renewing their cardholder application who submit proof of having served in the Armed Forces of the United States are charged a \$20 fee.

Senate Bill 307 requires the Oregon Health Authority to waive fees for the issuance or renewal of a medical marijuana registry identification card for veterans who have total disability rating of at least 50 percent as result of injury or illness incurred or aggravated during active military service, and who received discharge or release under other than dishonorable conditions.

Carrier: Rep. Wilde