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MEMORANDUM FOR: Oregon State Joint Interim Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Public Safety Co-Chairs, Senator Anthony Broadman and Representative Paul Evans.

SUBJECT: Response to Questions asked during the Informational Hearing held on 30 September 2025.

1. The following information is intended to provide additional information for responses to questions asked during the informational hearing during the Oregon State Joint Interim Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Public Safety session that occurred on 30 September 2025 at 2:30 pm. Questions from representatives and portions of responses by Mr. Russell Gibson during the session are summarized below in a condensed form and are not verbatim. Additional follow-up information is provided as attested during the hearing.

2. For Representative Chotzen: Who provides Rules for the Use of Force Training, and can those materials be provided?

Mr. Gibson's response during the informational hearing: US Army North will provide the training. When we receive the training materials we will provide them.

Additional information: Attached is a copy of the Standing Rules for the Use of Force (SRUF) provided by US Army North to Oregon National Guard Soldiers mobilized in support of the Department of Homeland Security under US Army North. Rules for the Use of Force training requirements include:

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3. For Senator Broadman and Representative Chotzen: What are the various professions of the Soldiers on this mobilization?

Response: Below is a list of professions for Oregon National Guard Soldiers currently mobilized in support of the Department of Homeland Security under US Army North. The Civilian Employment information includes answers from a questionnaire collected as service members processed into this current mobilization. These are the total responses we have received as of today. Not every service member answered every question.

Occupation classification	Count
Management Occupations	3
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	2
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	1
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	1
Community and Social Service Occupations	1
Legal Occupations	2
Educational Instruction and Library Occupations	3
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	6

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Protective Service Occupations	12
Firefighting and Prevention Workers	2
Law Enforcement Workers	20
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	3
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	2
Personal Care and Service Occupations	1
Sales and Related Occupations	5
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	4
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	1
Construction and Extraction Occupations	10
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	11
Production Occupations	5
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	7
Administrative Specialist	1
Armed guards	1
Automotive Industry	1
Bank	1
Court armed Security	1
Criminal Analyst	1
Emergency management	1
Federal	1
Firearms instructor	1
Healthcare operations	1
Hydropower plant mechanic	1
Laborer	1
Research	1
Machinist and Assembler	1
Mechanic	1
Military	3
Powder Coating	1
Private Security	1
Security	3
Security management	1
Technical Specialist (Wind)	1
Warehouse worker	1
Full Time Student	14
Grand Total	142

19. First Responder?



4. Point of contact for this memorandum is Mr. Russell Gibson at 971-355-3605 or russell.w.gibson.civ@army.mil. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any additional questions or require any clarification.

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