

OREGON DEPT. OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS BILL DIGEST

Legislative Bills of Interest to Veterans

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BILL NUMBER	SUMMARY	AT THE REQUEST OF	BILL LOCATION	NEXT HEARING	ACTIVITIES
HB 4027A	Expands immunity from liability for health care provider who provides services for charitable organization without compensation. Provides immunity from liability for person providing outreach services without compensation to homeless individuals, or individuals at risk of becoming homeless individuals, under certain circumstances. Provides immunity from liability for pharmacists and optometrists providing services without compensation under certain circumstances. Declares emergency, effective on passage.	House Interim Committee on Judiciary	In Senate Committee	No hearings scheduled at this time.	<p>Bill passed</p> <p>03/19 (H) Chapter 41, (2012 Laws): Effective date March 16, 2012.</p> <p>03/16 (H) Governor signed.</p> <p>03/02/12 - President signed.</p> <p>03/02/12 - Co-Speakers signed.</p>

<p><u>HB 4063B</u></p>	<p>Requires certain professional licensing agencies to accept applicant's military training or experience as substitute for education or experience required for licensure, certification or registration if military training or experience is substantially similar to education and experience required for licensure, certification or registration. Requires Oregon Medical Board to accept such military training or experience as substitute for requirements related to physician assistant continuing education. Eliminates, for certified instructor for Armed Forces of United States, certain requirements for basic teaching license. Declares emergency, effective on passage.</p>	<p>House Interim Committee on Veterans Affairs</p>	<p>House Desk - Possible Consideration of Senate Amendments</p>	<p>No hearings scheduled at this time.</p>	<p>Bill passed 03/19 (H) Chapter 43, (2012 Laws): Effective date March 16, 2012. 03/16 (H) Governor signed. 02/29/12 - President signed.</p>
<p><u>HB 4064</u></p>	<p>Requires Commissioner of Bureau of Labor and Industries to inform Director of Veterans Affairs of receipt of written information from or filing of complaint by member or veteran of uniformed service under certain circumstances. Takes effect July 1, 2012.</p>	<p>House Interim Committee on Veterans Affairs for Representative Greg Matthews</p>	<p>House Desk - Awaiting Enrollment</p>	<p>No hearings scheduled at this time.</p>	<p>Bill Passed 03/16 (H) Governor signed. 02/28 (H) Co-Speakers signed. 02/28 (S) President signed.</p>
<p><u>HB 4065</u></p>	<p>Directs Oregon State Lottery Commission to establish lottery games to benefit veterans education and economic development. Establishes Veterans Lottery Fund. Allocates revenues from veteran-</p>	<p>House Interim Committee on Veterans Affairs</p>	<p>House Committee on Veterans Affairs</p>	<p>No hearings scheduled at this time.</p>	<p>Did not pass 03/05 (H) In committee upon adjournment.</p>

	related games to Veterans Lottery Fund. Continuously appropriates moneys in fund to Department of Veterans Affairs for education, training and job creation.				
HJM 201	Urges Congress to pass Chiropractic Care Available to All Veterans Act.	House Interim Committee on Veterans Affairs for Oregon Chiropractic Association	Filed with Secretary of State	No hearings scheduled at this time.	Bill passed 02/21/12 - Filed with Secretary of State. President signed. Co-Speakers signed.
HJM 202	Urges President and Congress to support full funding of United States Coast Guards operational readiness and recapitalization requirements.	House Interim Committee on Energy, Environment and Water	Filed with Secretary of State	No hearings scheduled at this time.	Bill passed 02/21/12 - Co-Speakers signed. President signed. Filed with Secretary of State.
SB 1542	Eliminates requirement for Advisory Committee approval of Governors appointment of Director of Veterans Affairs. Increases membership of Public Employees Benefit Board to nine members. Requires appointment of public member to board. Establishes position of administrator of Public Employees Benefit Board. Requires Governor to establish qualifications for and to appoint administrator. Declares emergency, effective on passage.	Betsy Johnson Alan Bates	Rules Committee	No hearings scheduled at this time.	Bill did not pass 03/05/12 - In committee upon adjournment.

<p><u>SB 1563B</u></p>	<p>Extends certain rights and benefits to members of commissioned corps of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and members of Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Requires community colleges to waive tuition for certain courses for child, spouse or unremarried surviving spouse of service member. Declares emergency, effective on passage.</p>	<p>Senate Interim Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs for Representative Jean Cowan and Senator Joanne Verger</p>	<p>House Desk - Third Reading</p>	<p>No hearings scheduled at this time.</p>	<p>Bill enrolled – for all intents and purposes this BILL HAS PASSED.</p> <p>In Governor’s Office awaiting signature. 03/06/12 - Co-Speakers signed. 03/05/12 - President signed.</p>
<p><u>SB 5701</u></p>	<p>Increases and decreases certain biennial appropriations made from General Fund to specified state agencies. Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by specified state agencies. Limits biennial expenditures of specified state agencies from federal funds. Limits biennial expenditures of Judicial Department for specialty courts. Increases and decreases limitations on expenditures for certain biennial expenses for specified state agencies. Declares emergency, effective on passage.</p>	<p>Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means</p>	<p>In Senate Committee</p>	<p>No hearings scheduled at this time.</p>	<p>Bill enrolled – for all intents and purposes this BILL HAS PASSED.</p> <p>In Governor’s Office awaiting signature. 03/21 (H) Co-Speakers signed. 03/0612 - President signed.</p>