

2023 Legislative Session Veteran Bill Digest

Report Date: January 13, 2023

Bill Number Last Three Actions Upcoming Hearings

HB 2146 01/12/23 - Referred to Emergency Management, General

Government, and Veterans.

01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to Gold Star Families memorial highway.

Provides that portion of U.S. Highway 30, beginning where highway intersects with U.S. Highway 101 and ending at Idaho state line, shall also be known as Oregon Gold Star Families Memorial Highway.

HB 2147 01/12/23 - Referred to Emergency Management, General

Government, and Veterans.

01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to veterans

Directs governing body of each county to designate person to ensure interment of unclaimed human remains of veteran or survivor of veteran.

HB 2271 01/11/23 - Referred to Emergency Management, General

Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to

Ways and Means.

01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to the Veteran Educational Bridge Grant Program.

Makes Veteran Educational Bridge Grant Program permanent.

HB 2273 01/11/23 - Referred to Behavioral Health and Health Care.

01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to Oregon State Hospital.

Updates outdated terminology related to Oregon State Hospital.

HB 2295 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to veteran-owned businesses; prescribing an effective date.

Broadens public contracting preference for businesses that service-disabled veterans own to include all veteran-owned businesses.

HB 2456 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to youth experiencing homelessness; declaring an emergency.

Modifies emergency housing assistance program and state homeless assistance program to provide services and assistance to school-aged children experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

HB 2462 01/11/23 - Referred to Behavioral Health and Health Care

with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to behavioral health clinics.

Establishes certified community behavioral health clinic program in Oregon Health Authority.

HB 2615 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to participation in Oregon Promise program by veterans.

Allows veterans to participate in Oregon Promise program if first enrolled in classes within 12 months after discharge from military.

HB 2629 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to tax exemption for the property of veterans; prescribing an effective date.

Lowers disability threshold for property tax exemption for homestead or personal property of veterans to 10 percent.

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HB 2649 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to workforce requirements; prescribing an effective date.

Provides that qualifying agency must require as material provision of public improvement contract that contractor establish and implement plan for outreach to and recruitment and retention of women, minority individuals and veterans to perform work under public improvement contract, with aspirational target of having individuals in one or more of these groups perform at least 15 percent of total work hours that workers perform under public improvement contract.

HB 2789 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to licensure portability for military families.

Requires Oregon Military Department to study licensure portability for military families.

HB 2829 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to veterans' courts.

Directs Department of Veterans' Affairs to develop and implement grant program to provide funding to Oregon counties for veterans' courts.

HB 2840 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to veterans' recognition registration plates.

Provides for additional forms of identification that may be used by person to prove status as veteran when applying for veterans' recognition registration plate.

HB 3000 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to transportation; declaring an emergency.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Transportation to cover costs associated with Fallen Hero roadside memorial signs and veterans' recognition registration plates for biennium beginning July 1, 2023.

HB 3001 01/09/23 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Relating to Gold Star Family members.

Directs Department of Transportation to waive fee for Fallen Hero roadside memorial highway sign if applicant is Gold Star Family member and funds are appropriated or otherwise made available to department for purpose of paying fees.

SB 178 01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk.

Relating to tax treatment of pensions.

Directs Department of Veterans' Affairs to study and make recommendations for policy proposals for tax treatment of military pensions.

SB 179 01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk.

Relating to veterans.

Directs Department of Veterans' Affairs to study and make recommendations regarding improvements to operations of department.

SB 183 01/11/23 - Referred to Education, then Ways and Means.

01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to

President's desk.

Relating to the military.

Establishes Purple Star School Program within Department of Education to recognize schools that provide certain support services to military-connected students.

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SB 244 01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to

President's desk.

Relating to veterans' loans for acquisition of real property.

Limits interest rate to no more than prime rate plus one percent for loans advanced under veterans' home and farm loan program.

SB 249 01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to

President's desk.

Relating to employment preference for veterans.

Provides that, when interview is element of process of selecting candidate for civil service position from eligibility list, public employer must interview each veteran applicant who meets qualifications for position and shows transferable skills if duties of position are performed by only one person within public employer's organization.

SB 253 01/11/23 - Referred to Education.

01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to

President's desk.

Relating to tuition benefits connected to disabled veterans; declaring an emergency.

Expands tuition benefits available to disabled veterans to permit veteran who is Oregon resident and 80 percent or more disabled, and spouse and child of disabled veteran, to have tuition waived for enrollment in vocational program or associate degree, baccalaureate degree or master's degree programs at community colleges, public universities and Oregon Health and Science University.

SB 659 01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to

President's desk.

Relating to memorial highways.

Provides that U.S. Highway 30 in Oregon shall be known as Gold Star Families Memorial Highway.

SB 687 01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to

President's desk.

Relating to licensing disabled veterans under the wildlife laws; prescribing an effective date.

Eliminates six-month residency requirement for issuance of angling or shellfish license to qualifying disabled veteran.

SJR 17 01/09/23 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to

President's desk.

Proposing amendment to Oregon Constitution relating to a property tax relief program for owner-occupied principal dwellings of certain seniors.

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution directing Legislative Assembly to enact property tax relief program for owner-occupied principal dwellings of certain seniors.