

ODVA Veteran Bill Digest

Report Date: May 16, 2025

Bill Number	Last Three Actions	Upcoming Hearings
HB 2050	04/15/25 - Referred to Revenue by prior reference. 04/15/25 - Recommendation: Do pass with amendments, be printed A-Engrossed, and be referred to Revenue by prior reference. 04/08/25 - Work Session held.	
Relating to a taxable income exemption for taxpayers who are a veteran. Exempts from state income tax all federal retirement pay or pension received for service in the Armed Forces of the United States for a taxpayer who is a disabled veteran or member of a reserve component or the National Guard.		
HB 2341	05/14/25 - Chapter 13, (2025 Laws): Effective date January 1, 2026. 04/23/25 - Governor signed. 04/15/25 - President signed.	
Relating to the Department of Veterans' Affairs. Adds a uniformed service member's or veteran's e-mail address to the information that the Director of Human Services, Early Learning System Director, Director of Transportation and Director of the Oregon Health Authority are required to provide to the Director of Veterans' Affairs.		
HB 2344	05/19/25 - Carried over to 05-20 by unanimous consent. 05/15/25 - Second reading. 05/15/25 - Recommendation: Do pass the A-Eng. bill.	11:00AM 05/20/2025 Third Reading Senate Floor
Relating to the World War II memorial located in the Capitol Mall. Requires the Department of Veterans' Affairs to keep the World War II memorial located in the Capitol Mall up to date and maintain an educational tool as part of the memorial.		
HB 2386	05/14/25 - Chapter 14, (2025 Laws): Effective date January 1, 2026. 04/23/25 - Governor signed. 04/15/25 - President signed.	
Relating to the unclaimed remains of eligible decedents. Provides the Department of Veterans' Affairs with authority to adopt rules to implement the laws concerning the unclaimed remains of veterans, veterans' spouses and dependents and survivors of veterans.		
HB 2537	04/07/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 04/07/25 - Recommendation: Do pass with amendments, be printed A-Engrossed, and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 04/03/25 - Work Session held.	
Relating to veterans; declaring an emergency. Establishes the Veterans Waiver Program in the Oregon Health Authority to provide, beginning in 2026, medical assistance to low-income veterans who reside in Oregon.		
HB 2538	03/11/25 - Public Hearing held. 02/13/25 - Public Hearing cancelled. 01/17/25 - Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.	
Relating to continuing education for Oregon Medical Board licensees. Directs the Oregon Medical Board to require physicians and physician associates to complete continuing education regarding lethal means counseling.		

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HB 2559	05/19/25 - Carried over to 05-20 by unanimous consent. 05/15/25 - Second reading. 05/14/25 - Recommendation: Do pass with amendments to the A-Eng. bill. (Printed B-Eng.)	11:00AM 05/20/2025 Third Reading Senate Floor

Relating to veterans.

Allows a state agency to use a summary of benefits letter from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs when determining an applicant's eligibility for benefits or services that are offered by or through the state agency.

HB 2845	04/15/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 04/15/25 - Subsequent referral to Transportation rescinded by order of the Speaker. 04/15/25 - Recommendation: Do pass with amendments, be printed A-Engrossed, subsequent referral to Transportation be rescinded, and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.
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Relating to veterans; declaring an emergency.

Declares that it is the goal of the Legislative Assembly to fund the Department of Veterans' Affairs in an amount that is not less than \$10,000,000, from the General Fund, in 2015 dollars, adjusted for inflation.

HB 2906	04/03/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 04/03/25 - Recommendation: Do pass and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 03/31/25 - Work Session held.
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Relating to housing for veterans; declaring an emergency.

Establishes the Task Force on Innovative Housing Strategies for Veterans.

HB 3287	02/20/25 - Public Hearing held. 01/24/25 - Referred to Revenue. 01/21/25 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.
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Relating to property tax exemption for disabled veterans; prescribing an effective date.

Grants a higher property tax exemption for the property of veterans with disabilities.

HB 3460	04/11/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 04/11/25 - Recommendation: Do pass and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 04/08/25 - Work Session held.
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Relating to hyperbaric oxygen therapy; prescribing an effective date.

Directs the Oregon Health Authority to administer a program to reimburse the cost of hyperbaric oxygen therapy for low-income veterans who have been diagnosed with traumatic brain injury or post-traumatic stress disorder and are ineligible for medical assistance.

HB 3534	03/25/25 - Public Hearing held. 03/20/25 - Referred to Higher Education and Workforce Development by order of Speaker and then Ways and Means by prior reference. 03/20/25 - Without recommendation as to passage, be referred to Higher Education and Workforce Development, and then to Ways and Means by prior reference.
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Relating to tuition waivers; prescribing an effective date.

Provides for a waiver of tuition, fees and the cost of textbooks for veterans and the children of veterans from eligible post-secondary institutions.

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HB 3572	04/10/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 04/10/25 - Recommendation: Do pass with amendments, be printed A-Engrossed, and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 04/03/25 - Work Session held.	
	Relating to emergency medical services; prescribing an effective date. Directs the Emergency Medical Services Program to develop a state emergency medical services 10-year strategic plan.	
HB 3627	03/28/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 03/28/25 - Recommendation: Do pass and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 03/25/25 - Work Session held.	
	Relating to funding for disabled veterans; prescribing an effective date. Establishes the Disabled Veterans Assistance Fund.	
HB 3773	04/15/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker. 04/15/25 - Recommendation: Do pass and be referred to Ways and Means. 04/08/25 - Work Session held.	
	Relating to veterans. Requires the Oregon Health Authority to adopt by rule qualification criteria for veteran-specific personal health navigators as an additional category of traditional health workers.	
HB 5038	02/27/25 - Public Hearing held. 02/26/25 - Informational Meeting held. 01/18/25 - Assigned to Subcommittee On Transportation and Economic Development.	
	Relating to the financial administration of the Department of Veterans' Affairs; declaring an emergency. Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for certain biennial expenses.	
HCR 19	05/14/25 - Filed with Secretary of State. 05/14/25 - President signed. 05/13/25 - Speaker signed.	
	In memoriam: Frank Wayne Smith. In memoriam: Frank Wayne Smith, 1945-2024.	
HCR 23	04/28/25 - Filed with Secretary of State. 04/28/25 - President signed. 04/28/25 - Speaker signed.	
	Recognizing and honoring Oregon civilians who served the United States on Wake Island during World War II. Recognizes and honors Oregon civilians who served the United States on Wake Island during World War II. Commends individuals who have increased public awareness of the service and sacrifice of these civilians.	
HJM 2	01/17/25 - Referred to Rules. 01/13/25 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.	
	Urging Congress to change the funding of veterans' health care from a discretionary entitlement to a permanent and direct entitlement. Urges Congress to change the funding of veterans' health care from a discretionary entitlement to a permanent and direct entitlement.	

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HJM 4	01/17/25 - Referred to Rules. 01/13/25 - First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.	
Urging Congress to extend benefits to units deployed under 10 U.S.C. 12304b. Urges Congress to enact legislation that extends certain benefits to Reserve and National Guard units deployed under 10 U.S.		
SB 150	05/20/25 - Work Session scheduled. 05/01/25 - Public Hearing held. 04/17/25 - Public Hearing cancelled.	2:00PM 05/20/2025 House Committee Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans Work Session HR C
Relating to compensation for services performed in connection with a claim for a veteran's benefit; prescribing an effective date. Prohibits receiving compensation for performing certain services for or on behalf of an applicant or a claimant for a veteran's benefit except as provided in applicable federal or state law.		
SB 159	05/19/25 - Third reading. Carried by Boice. Passed. Ayes, 51; Excused, 5--Evans, Levy E, McIntire, Nguyen H, Wallan; Excused for Business of the House, 3--Diehl, Elmer, Yunker. 05/15/25 - Second reading. 05/15/25 - Recommendation: Do pass.	11:00AM 05/19/2025 Third Reading House Floor
Relating to veterans' recognition plates. Authorizes the Department of Transportation to issue qualifying owners veterans' recognition registration plates for use on mopeds and motorcycles.		
SB 225	05/21/25 - Work Session scheduled. 04/21/25 - Public Hearing held. 03/19/25 - Referred to Finance and Revenue by order of the President.	8:00AM 05/21/2025 Senate Committee Finance and Revenue Work Session HR A
Relating to taxable income exemption for military taxpayers; prescribing an effective date. Exempts from state income tax up to \$17,500 in federal retirement pay or pension received for service in the Armed Forces of the United States for a taxpayer who is receiving federal retirement pay or pension for service in the Armed Forces of the United States and who has attained 63 years of age before the close of the taxable year.		
SB 230	03/19/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 03/19/25 - Recommendation: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. (Printed A-Eng.) 03/13/25 - Work Session held.	
Relating to the Veterans Dental Program; prescribing an effective date. Directs the Oregon Health Authority to require oral health care providers to complete an intake screening with an enrollee of the Veterans Dental Program within 60 days after the enrollee initiates contact with the provider.		
SB 387	05/21/25 - Work Session scheduled. 04/28/25 - Informational Meeting held. 04/09/25 - Public Hearing held.	8:00AM 05/21/2025 Senate Committee Finance and Revenue Work Session HR A
Relating to property tax exemption for disabled veterans; prescribing an effective date. Grants higher property tax exemptions for the property of veterans with disabilities.		

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SB 520	02/10/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. 02/10/25 - Recommendation: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. (Printed A-Eng.) 02/06/25 - Work Session held.	
Relating to veterans.		
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, to provide transportation services to the Roseburg Veterans Affairs Medical Center for veterans residing in Coos and Curry Counties.		
SB 596	04/17/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President. 04/17/25 - Recommendation: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.) 04/08/25 - Public Hearing and Work Session held.	
Relating to veterans' recognition registration plates.		
Provides that a veteran with a disability is eligible for a veterans' recognition registration plate and may request a waiver of the surcharge imposed for the plate.		
SB 668	02/21/25 - Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President. 02/21/25 - Recommendation: Without recommendation as to passage and be referred to Ways and Means. 02/18/25 - Work Session held.	
Relating to tuition benefits connected to disabled veterans; declaring an emergency.		
Expands tuition benefits available to disabled veterans to permit veterans who are Oregon residents and are 80 percent or more disabled, and the spouse and child of disabled veterans, to have tuition waived for enrollment in a vocational program or an associate degree, baccalaureate degree or master's degree program at community colleges, public universities and the Oregon Health and Science University.		
SB 808	05/14/25 - Speaker signed. 05/14/25 - President signed. 05/13/25 - Third reading. Carried by Tran. Passed. Ayes, 50; Excused, 5--Dobson, Munoz, Nguyen D, Nguyen H, Wallan; Excused for Business of the House, 4--Harbick, Javadi, Nosse, Speaker Fahey.	
Relating to preference given to servicemembers in public employment.		
Provides hiring and promotion preferences in public employment to members and former members of the Oregon National Guard.		
SB 5505	04/18/25 - Public Hearing held. 01/18/25 - Assigned to Subcommittee On Capital Construction. 01/17/25 - Referred to Ways and Means.	
Relating to state financial administration; declaring an emergency.		
Establishes amounts authorized for issuance of general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, certificates of participation and other financing agreements for the biennium.		

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SB 5506	05/02/25 - Public Hearing held. 01/18/25 - Assigned to Subcommittee On Capital Construction. 01/17/25 - Referred to Ways and Means.	
Relating to state financial administration; declaring an emergency. Limits for the six-year period beginning July 1, 2025, payment of expenses from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by various state agencies for capital construction.		
SB 5530	01/18/25 - Assigned to Subcommittee On Capital Construction. 01/17/25 - Referred to Ways and Means. 01/13/25 - Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk.	
Relating to state financial administration; declaring an emergency. Maintains and reserves lottery revenues available to benefit public purposes during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, in the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund.		
SJM 1	02/06/25 - Referred to Rules by order of the President. 02/06/25 - Recommendation: Without recommendation as to adoption and be referred to Rules. 02/04/25 - Work Session held.	
Urging Congress to conduct public hearings on anti-military bias and improve enforcement of hate-crime protections for military families. Urges Congress to conduct public hearings on anti-military bias and improve enforcement of hate-crime protections for military families.		