

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact

SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO: Judiciary

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 2/7, 2/14

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires courts to consider defendant's servicemember status at sentencing. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of development of concept
- Neutrality of victim's rights organization

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: Oregon courts may currently consider all manner of information bearing on aggravation or mitigation of a defendant's sentence. Senate Bill 124 expressly includes the fact of a defendant's servicemember status.