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HB 4120 - Rob Libke Scholarship Act

What does the bill do?

HB 4120 adds reserve police officers/sheriffs deputies and volunteer firefighters to an existing scholarship grant program through the Oregon Student Access Commission (OSAC). The grant program is for dependents of deceased and disabled public safety officers. HB4120 is dedicated to fallen Oregon City Reserve Police Officer Rob Libke, who was shot and killed November 2013.

Why is the bill needed?

Reserve police officers/sheriffs deputies and volunteer firefighters are currently excluded from OSAC's Deceased or Disabled Public Safety Officer Grant program. Statutes for the grant program use public safety officer definitions that come from the Public Employee Retirement System statute, which specifically does not include reserve police officers/sheriffs deputies and volunteer firefighters. HB 4120 adds the definition of these officers to the grant program and makes the qualifications similar to other federal and state grant programs.

Who supports the bill?

- Association of Oregon Counties
- League of Oregon Cities
- Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police
- Oregon Association of Reserve Peace Officers
- Oregon Concerns of Police Survivors
- Oregon Council of Police Associations
- Oregon Fire Chiefs Association
- Oregon Fire District Directors Association
- Oregon Officers Reward Fund
- Oregon State Fraternal Order of Police
- Oregon State Sheriffs Association
- Oregon Volunteer Firefighters Association