

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

House Committee on Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 5/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Exempts longstanding associations of current or former members of the Armed Forces, as specified, from operation of insurance code. Requires exempt associations provide certain documentation and records to the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS). Permits DCBS to require increase in capital or surplus. Requires specified notice issue with exempt associations' policies. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: Senate Bill 781-A clarifies the status of the Navy Mutual Aid Association (Association) in Oregon. It is a longstanding, nonprofit, congressionally-chartered veterans' service organization that provides life insurance and survivor benefits to certain service members. While Senate Bill 781-A resolves ambiguity about the application of Oregon's insurance code to associations that meet the criteria for exemption, it also provides some oversight authority to examine records and require a certain surplus.