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Requested by Senator THATCHER

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1557

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 29 and delete pages 2 2 through 5 and insert:

³ **"SECTION 1.** ORS 341.499 is amended to read:

"341.499. (1) A student at a community college who is a member of the military, a member of the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration or a member of the Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services detailed by proper authority for duty with the Army or Navy of the United States and who is ordered to federal or state active duty for more than 30 consecutive days has the following rights:

11 "(a) With regard to a course in which the student is enrolled and for 12 which the student has paid tuition and fees, the right to:

"(A) Withdraw from the course, subject to the provisions of subsection (2)
of this section;

"(B) Receive a grade of incomplete and, upon release from active duty,
 complete the course in accordance with the community college's practice for
 completion of incomplete courses; or

"(C) Continue and complete the course for full credit, subject to the provisions of subsection (3) of this section;

"(b) The right to a credit described in ORS 341.502 for all amounts paid
for room, board, tuition and fees;

"(c) If the student elects to withdraw from the community college, the right to be readmitted and reenrolled at the community college within one year after release from active duty without a requirement of redetermination of admission eligibility; and

"(d) The right to continuation of scholarships and grants awarded to the
student that were funded by the community college or the Office of Student
Access and Completion before the student was ordered to active duty. The
Higher Education Coordinating Commission may adopt rules for the
administration of this paragraph.

"(2) If the student elects to withdraw from a course under subsection
(1)(a)(A) of this section, the community college may not:

"(a) Give the student academic credit for the course from which the stu dent withdraws;

14 "(b) Give the student a failing grade or a grade of incomplete or make 15 any other negative annotation on the student's record; or

"(c) Alter the student's grade point average due to the student's with-drawal from the course.

"(3) A student who elects to continue and complete a course for full credit
 under subsection (1)(a)(C) of this section is subject to the following condi tions:

"(a) Course sessions the student misses due to active duty shall be
counted as excused absences and may not adversely impact the student's
grade for the course or rank in the student's class.

"(b) The student may not be automatically excused from completing
course assignments due during the period the student serves on active duty.
"(c) A letter grade or a grade of pass may be awarded only if, in the
opinion of the teacher of the course, the student completes sufficient work
and demonstrates sufficient progress toward meeting course requirements to
justify the grade.

30 "(4) If a student at a community college who is a member of the

military, a member of the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic 1 and Atmospheric Administration or a member of the Public Health $\mathbf{2}$ Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Ser-3 vices detailed by proper authority for duty with the Army or Navy of 4 the United States is ordered to federal or state active duty for 30 or $\mathbf{5}$ fewer consecutive days and misses a course session, assignment, ex-6 amination or other course work due to serving on active duty or re-7 ceiving medical treatment for an injury sustained on active duty: 8

9 "(a)(A) In accordance with a policy or practice of the community 10 college for excused absences, the student may complete any missed 11 course assignment, examination or other course work after the stu-12 dent has returned from active duty or medical treatment and has been 13 provided a reasonable amount of time to complete the assignment or 14 other course work or prepare for and take the examination; or

15 "(B) The teacher may award a letter grade or grade of pass without 16 requiring the student to complete the missed assignment, examination 17 or other course work if the teacher determines that the student has 18 completed sufficient work and demonstrated sufficient progress toward 19 meeting course requirements to justify the student's grade without 20 completion of the missed assignment, examination or other course 21 work;

"(b) The student's grade may not be adversely impacted solely due to the late completion of an assignment, examination or other course work if the assignment, examination or other course work is timely completed under the provisions of paragraph (a)(A) of this subsection; and

"(c) Course sessions the student misses due to active duty or medical treatment shall be counted as excused absences and may not adversely impact the student's grade for the course or rank in the student's class. "[(4)] (5) Boards of education of community college districts shall adopt
rules for the administration of this section.

"(6) Nothing in this section prevents a community college from
providing rights in addition to those provided in this section to students who are ordered to federal or state active duty.

6 "[(5)] (7) As used in this section, 'member of the military' means a person 7 who is a member of:

"(a) The Oregon National Guard or the National Guard of any other state
or territory; or

"(b) The reserves of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast
Guard of the United States.

¹² "SECTION 2. ORS 352.293 is amended to read:

"352.293. (1) A student at a public university listed in ORS 352.002 who is a member of the military, a member of the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration or a member of the Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services detailed by proper authority for duty with the Army or Navy of the United States and who is ordered to federal or state active duty for more than 30 consecutive days has the following rights:

20 "(a) With regard to a course in which the student is enrolled and for 21 which the student has paid tuition and fees, the right to:

"(A) Withdraw from the course, subject to the provisions of subsection (2)
of this section;

"(B) Receive a grade of incomplete and, upon release from active duty,
complete the course in accordance with the practice of the public university
for completion of incomplete courses; or

"(C) Continue and complete the course for full credit, subject to the provisions of subsection (3) of this section;

"(b) The right to a credit described in ORS 352.296 for all amounts paid
for room, board, tuition and fees;

"(c) If the student elects to withdraw from the public university, the right to be readmitted and reenrolled at the public university within one year after release from active duty without a requirement of redetermination of admission eligibility; and

"(d) The right to continuation of scholarships and grants awarded to the
student that were funded by the public university or the Higher Education
Coordinating Commission before the student was ordered to active duty. The
commission may adopt rules for the administration of this paragraph.
"(2) If the student elects to withdraw from a course under subsection
(1)(a)(A) of this section, the public university may not:

"(a) Give the student academic credit for the course from which the stu-dent withdraws;

"(b) Give the student a failing grade or a grade of incomplete or makeany other negative annotation on the student's record; or

"(c) Alter the student's grade point average due to the student's with-drawal from the course.

"(3) A student who elects to continue and complete a course for full credit
under subsection (1)(a)(C) of this section is subject to the following conditions:

"(a) Course sessions the student misses due to active duty shall be
counted as excused absences and may not adversely impact the student's
grade for the course or rank in the student's class.

"(b) The student may not be automatically excused from completing course assignments due during the period the student serves on active duty. "(c) A letter grade or a grade of pass may be awarded only if, in the opinion of the teacher of the course, the student completes sufficient work and demonstrates sufficient progress toward meeting course requirements to justify the grade.

"(4) If a student at a public university listed in ORS 352.002 who is
 a member of the military, a member of the commissioned corps of the

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration or a member of the 1 Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and $\mathbf{2}$ Human Services detailed by proper authority for duty with the Army 3 or Navy of the United States is ordered to federal or state active duty 4 for 30 or fewer consecutive days and misses a course session, assign- $\mathbf{5}$ ment, examination or other course work due to serving on active duty 6 or receiving medical treatment for an injury sustained on active duty: 7 "(a)(A) In accordance with a policy or practice of the public uni-8

9 versity for excused absences, the student may complete any missed 10 course assignment, examination or other course work after the stu-11 dent has returned from active duty or medical treatment and has been 12 provided a reasonable amount of time to complete the assignment or 13 other course work or prepare for and take the examination; or

"(B) The teacher may award a letter grade or grade of pass without requiring the student to complete the missed assignment, examination or other course work if the teacher determines that the student has completed sufficient work and demonstrated sufficient progress toward meeting course requirements to justify the student's grade without completion of the missed assignment, examination or other course work;

"(b) The student's grade may not be adversely impacted solely due to the late completion of an assignment, examination or other course work if the assignment, examination or other course work is timely completed under the provisions of paragraph (a)(A) of this subsection; and

"(c) Course sessions the student misses due to active duty or medical treatment shall be counted as excused absences and may not adversely impact the student's grade for the course or rank in the student's class.

(4) (5) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission and the gov-

SB 1557-2 2/12/18 Proposed Amendments to SB 1557 erning board of a public university listed in ORS 352.002 shall adopt standards for the administration of this section.

"(6) Nothing in this section prevents a public university from providing rights in addition to those provided in this section to students
who are ordered to federal or state active duty.

6 "[(5)] (7) As used in this section, 'member of the military' means a person 7 who is a member of:

"(a) The Oregon National Guard or the National Guard of any other state
or territory; or

"(b) The reserves of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast
 Guard of the United States.

¹² "<u>SECTION 3.</u> ORS 353.200 is amended to read:

"353.200. (1) A student at the Oregon Health and Science University who is a member of the military, a member of the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration or a member of the Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services detailed by proper authority for duty with the Army or Navy of the United States and who is ordered to federal or state active duty for more than 30 consecutive days has the following rights:

20 "(a) With regard to a course in which the student is enrolled and for 21 which the student has paid tuition and fees, the right to:

"(A) Withdraw from the course, subject to the provisions of subsection (2)
of this section;

"(B) Receive a grade of incomplete and, upon release from active duty, complete the course in accordance with the practice of the university for completion of incomplete courses; or

"(C) Continue and complete the course for full credit, subject to the provisions of subsection (3) of this section;

"(b) The right to a credit described in ORS 353.202 for all amounts paid
for room, board, tuition and fees;

"(c) If the student elects to withdraw from the university, the right to be readmitted and reenrolled at the university within one year after release from active duty without a requirement of redetermination of admission eligibility; and

"(d) The right to continuation of scholarships and grants awarded to the
student that were funded by the university or the Higher Education Coordinating Commission before the student was ordered to active duty. The
commission may adopt rules for the administration of this paragraph.
"(2) If the student elects to withdraw from a course under subsection
(1)(a)(A) of this section, the university may not:

"(a) Give the student academic credit for the course from which the stu-dent withdraws;

"(b) Give the student a failing grade or a grade of incomplete or makeany other negative annotation on the student's record; or

"(c) Alter the student's grade point average due to the student's with-drawal from the course.

"(3) A student who elects to continue and complete a course for full credit
under subsection (1)(a)(C) of this section is subject to the following conditions:

"(a) Course sessions the student misses due to active duty shall be
counted as excused absences and may not adversely impact the student's
grade for the course or rank in the student's class.

"(b) The student may not be automatically excused from completing course assignments due during the period the student serves on active duty. "(c) A letter grade or a grade of pass may be awarded only if, in the opinion of the teacher of the course, the student completes sufficient work and demonstrates sufficient progress toward meeting course requirements to justify the grade.

"(4) If a student at the university who is a member of the military,
 a member of the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and At-

mospheric Administration or a member of the Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services detailed by proper authority for duty with the Army or Navy of the United States is ordered to federal or state active duty for 30 or fewer consecutive days and misses a course session, assignment, examination or other course work due to serving on active duty or receiving medical treatment for an injury sustained on active duty:

8 "(a)(A) In accordance with a policy or practice of the university for 9 excused absences, the student may complete any missed course as-10 signment, examination or other course work after the student has re-11 turned from active duty or medical treatment and has been provided 12 a reasonable amount of time to complete the assignment or other 13 course work or prepare for and take the examination; or

14 "(B) The teacher may award a letter grade or grade of pass without 15 requiring the student to complete the missed assignment, examination 16 or other course work if the teacher determines that the student has 17 completed sufficient work and demonstrated sufficient progress toward 18 meeting course requirements to justify the student's grade without 19 completion of the missed assignment, examination or other course 20 work;

"(b) The student's grade may not be adversely impacted solely due to the late completion of an assignment, examination or other course work if the assignment, examination or other course work is timely completed under the provisions of paragraph (a)(A) of this subsection; and

"(c) Course sessions the student misses due to active duty or medical treatment shall be counted as excused absences and may not adversely impact the student's grade for the course or rank in the student's class.

(4) (5) The Oregon Health and Science University Board of Directors

1 shall adopt rules for the administration of this section.

"(6) Nothing in this section prevents the university from providing
rights in addition to those provided in this section to students who are
ordered to federal or state active duty.

5 "[(5)] (7) As used in this section, 'member of the military' means a person 6 who is a member of:

"(a) The Oregon National Guard or the National Guard of any other state
or territory; or

"(b) The reserves of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast
Guard of the United States.

"SECTION 4. The amendments to ORS 341.499, 352.293 and 353.200
by sections 1 to 3 of this 2018 Act first apply to students who are ordered to active duty after the beginning of the 2018-2019 academic year.
"SECTION 5. This 2018 Act being necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
declared to exist, and this 2018 Act takes effect on its passage.".

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