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To: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
From: Meg Bushman Reinhold, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: June 11, 2019
Subject: HB 2817 – Relating to grants for members of the Oregon National Guard

Current law provides grants to eligible members of the National Guard to supplement state and federal financial aid for degree-seeking undergraduate students at public universities and community colleges. The program is in its first year of operation. The Higher Education Coordinating Commission administers the program using General Fund dollars appropriated for this purpose.

This bill expands the grant program to eligible National Guard students at private educational institutions and Oregon Health and Science University, as well as to certificate of completion programs at any of the eligible institutions.

Based on information currently available, the 2019-21 budgeted amounts for grants under this program could be sufficient to cover the increased demand anticipated with passage of this bill. If demand for the program outpaces the budgeted amount for 2019-21, the agency may need to return to the Emergency Board for additional resources.

Final Subcommittee Action

**MOTION: I move HB 2817 to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation.
(VOTE)**

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____