

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.

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 may 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.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends HB 2817 be reported out do pass.