

SB 1033 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Veterans, Emergency Management, Federal and World Affairs

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Defines "active service," "active service of the state", and "state active duty." Expands authority of Adjutant General, with approval of Governor, to order members of organized militia into active service of the state. Updates definitions within multiple statutes for Guard members in active service.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon National Guard was established in 1903 and its members are equipped and trained to respond to natural and man-made emergencies. This measure was proposed after conversations between the Oregon Military Department and the Oregon National Guard Judge Advocate General's Office, to better define the various service statuses for Oregon National Guard Service members. The impacts of this measure are limited to the Oregon National Guard and the Oregon Military Department.

Senate Bill 1033 modifies service status definitions related to the Oregon National Guard. It defines 'Active Service' as active service of the state, federally funded service ordered by the authority of the President, and state-funded service ordered by the authority of the Governor. The measure defines 'Active Service of the State' as full-time service performed by Oregon National Guard members under the authority of the Governor, whether paid from state or federal funds, and 'State Active Duty' as full-time service performed under the authority of the Governor and paid for with state funds. This measure updates active service definitions in statute regarding interest limitations, suspension or termination of telecommunication and other services without penalty, relief of obligations or liability incurred, requesting a stay of proceedings during state service, tuition waivers, overtime eligibility, and leave of absences.