

SB 798 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

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

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure provides that members of the Oregon National Guard residing in another state are considered Oregon residents for the purpose of admission and determination of fees and tuition while attending an eligible public university.

Fiscal impact: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

Revenue impact: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon currently has 7 public universities; all 7 charge higher tuition for Oregon nonresidents. Existing statute contains provisions counting members of the United States Armed Forces, active commissioned members of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration or Public Health Service on duty with the Army or Navy, and their spouses and children, as residents for tuition purposes if they are assigned duty at an establishment in Oregon, or establish Oregon residency by filing Oregon state income taxes no later than one year before leaving active duty.

Senate Bill 798 would count members of the Oregon National Guard as Oregon residents for tuition purposes if they reside in another state.