

SB 801 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

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

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure increases the number of Assistant Adjutants General the Adjutant General may appoint from the Air National Guard of Oregon from one to two. It clarifies that an Acting Adjutant General shall give to the state a fidelity bond within 30 days of assuming the duties of the office.

Fiscal impact: No fiscal impact

Revenue impact: No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Process for choosing an Assistant Adjutant General
- Effect of Space Force on National Guard
- Veteran benefits afforded to future Space Force retirees

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Command Group administers components of the National Guard, among which are the Adjutant General and Assistant Adjutants General. Existing statute allows for the Adjutant General to appoint two Assistant Adjutants General from the Army National Guard of Oregon, and one from the Air National Guard of Oregon.

A fidelity bond is a type of insurance, typically used in businesses, that is intended to offer protection against financial loss caused by an employee. The Adjutant General is required to provide a fidelity bond to the state before taking duties of office; current statute does not provide a specific timeframe for an Acting Adjutant General to do so.

Senate Bill 801 would allow the Adjutant General to appoint an additional Assistant Adjutant General from the Air National Guard, and require an Acting Adjutant General to provide a fidelity bond within 30 days of assuming the duties of the office.