

House Bill 2341

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Adds e-mail address to the type of data that is to be shared with the Department of Veterans' Affairs. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3).

Adds a uniformed service member's or veteran's e-mail address to the information that the Director of Human Services, Early Learning System Director, Director of Transportation and Director of the Oregon Health Authority are required to provide to the Director of Veterans' Affairs.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the Department of Veterans' Affairs; amending ORS 406.072, 406.073 and 414.044.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 406.072 is amended to read:

5 406.072. (1) As used in this section:

6 (a) "Uniformed service" means the Armed Forces of the United States, the Army National Guard
7 or the Air National Guard when the member is engaged in active duty for training, inactive duty
8 for training or full-time National Guard duty, the commissioned corps of the United States Public
9 Health Service and any other category of persons designated by the President of the United States
10 in time of war or national emergency.

11 (b) "Written information" means information that is in written form and includes but is not
12 limited to information obtained by electronic means, electronic mail, facsimile or other form of
13 electronic communication.

14 (2)(a) Subject to subsection (3) of this section and upon implementation or upgrade of an elec-
15 tronic delivery system that will enable the Department of Human Services to provide the notice
16 required by this subsection in a cost-effective and efficient manner, the Director of Human Services
17 shall notify the Director of Veterans' Affairs within 30 days of receipt of written information from
18 a member or veteran of a uniformed service who has applied for benefits or services under the fol-
19 lowing:

20 (A) Temporary assistance for needy families program under ORS 412.001 to 412.069;

21 (B) Assistance funded under Title IV-A of the Social Security Act as administered in this state
22 by the Department of Human Services;

23 (C) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program under ORS 411.806 to 411.845;

24 (D) Oregon Health Plan;

25 (E) Programs and services for seniors and persons with disabilities administered by the Depart-
26 ment of Human Services; and

27 (F) Vocational rehabilitation services and programs administered by the Department of Human
28 Services.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (b) Subject to subsection (3) of this section, the Early Learning System Director shall notify the
2 Director of Veterans' Affairs within 30 days of receipt of written information from a member or
3 veteran of a uniformed service who has applied for benefits or services under the Employment Re-
4 lated Day Care subsidy program administered by the Department of Early Learning and Care.

5 (c) The notification required under this subsection is limited to notifying the Director of
6 Veterans' Affairs of the name, [and] residence [address] or mailing address **and electronic mail**
7 **address** of the member or veteran.

8 (d) The authorization of a member or veteran as required by subsection (3) of this section may
9 be contained in the written information at the time it is received by the Department of Human
10 Services or the Department of Early Learning and Care or separately at another time but the au-
11 thorization must specifically authorize the notification to be made under this subsection.

12 (3) The Director of Human Services or the Early Learning System Director shall notify the Di-
13 rector of Veterans' Affairs as required by subsection (2) of this section only when authorized to do
14 so by the member or veteran of a uniformed service who submitted the written information.

15 (4) The Department of Human Services and the Early Learning Council, in consultation with the
16 Department of Veterans' Affairs, shall adopt rules to implement the provisions of this section, in-
17 cluding but not limited to the method of notification required under subsection (2) of this section.

18 **SECTION 2.** ORS 406.073 is amended to read:

19 406.073. (1) As used in this section:

20 (a) "Uniformed service" means the Armed Forces of the United States, the Army National Guard
21 or the Air National Guard when the member is engaged in active duty for training, inactive duty
22 for training or full-time National Guard duty, the commissioned corps of the United States Public
23 Health Service and any other category of persons designated by the President of the United States
24 in time of war or national emergency.

25 (b) "Written information" means information that is in written form and includes but is not
26 limited to information obtained by electronic means, such as electronic mail, facsimile or other form
27 of electronic communication.

28 (2)(a) Subject to subsection (3) of this section, the Director of Transportation shall notify the
29 Director of Veterans' Affairs at least once a month regarding receipt of written information from a
30 member or veteran of a uniformed service when the Department of Transportation receives the
31 written information in connection with an application for:

- 32 (A) A license under ORS 807.050;
33 (B) An identification card under ORS 807.400;
34 (C) A certificate of title under ORS 803.050; or
35 (D) A vehicle registration under ORS 803.370.

36 (b) The notification required under this subsection is limited to notifying the Director of
37 Veterans' Affairs of the name, [and] residence [address] or mailing address **and electronic mail**
38 **address** of the member or veteran.

39 (c) The authorization of a member or veteran as required by subsection (3) of this section may
40 be contained in the written information at the time it is received by the department or separately
41 at another time, but the authorization must specifically authorize the notification to be made under
42 this section.

43 (3) The Director of Transportation shall notify the Director of Veterans' Affairs as required by
44 subsection (2) of this section only if authorized to do so in writing by the member or veteran of a
45 uniformed service.

1 (4) The Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Veterans' Affairs,
 2 shall adopt rules to implement the provisions of this section, including but not limited to the method
 3 of notification required under subsection (2) of this section.

4 **SECTION 3.** ORS 414.044 is amended to read:

5 414.044. (1) As used in this section:

6 (a) "Uniformed service" means the Armed Forces of the United States, the Army National Guard
 7 or the Air National Guard when the member is engaged in active duty for training, inactive duty
 8 for training or full-time National Guard duty, the commissioned corps of the United States Public
 9 Health Service and any other category of persons designated by the President of the United States
 10 in time of war or national emergency.

11 (b) "Written information" means information that is in written form and includes but is not
 12 limited to information obtained by electronic means, such as electronic mail, facsimile or other form
 13 of electronic communication.

14 (2)(a) Subject to subsection (3) of this section, the Director of the Oregon Health Authority shall
 15 notify the Director of Veterans' Affairs at least once each month regarding receipt of written in-
 16 formation from a member or veteran of a uniformed service in connection with an application for
 17 health care coverage.

18 (b) The notification required under this subsection is limited to notifying the Director of
 19 Veterans' Affairs of the name, [*and*] residence [*address*] or mailing address **and electronic mail**
 20 **address** of the member or veteran.

21 (c) The authorization of a member or veteran as required by subsection (3) of this section may
 22 be contained in the written information at the time it is received by the Oregon Health Authority
 23 or separately at another time, but the authorization must specifically authorize the notification to
 24 be made under this section.

25 (3) The Director of the Oregon Health Authority shall notify the Director of Veterans' Affairs
 26 as required by subsection (2) of this section only if authorized to do so in writing by the member
 27 or veteran of a uniformed service.

28 (4) The Oregon Health Authority, in consultation with the Department of Veterans' Affairs, shall
 29 adopt rules to implement the provisions of this section, including but not limited to the method of
 30 notification required under subsection (2) of this section.

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