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As a member of the Oregon National Guard looking at my future plans and intent to retire from service taxes plays a significant factor in my decision. As a family it is something we are weighing heavily into our future residency. There are other nearby states with better tax incentives for military retirement pay and when looking into future plans to live off a smaller fixed income from a pension that tax incentive is very attractive. Oregon is home for us and as proud Oregonians I would love the opportunity to consider staying in state, post retirement, and continuing to contribute to my state and community in my later years. Thank you for considering this bill and the impact it could have on our veterans/retirees and our communities who could retain those incredible individuals for many years to come.