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I wholeheartedly support this HB 2050. Both my wife and I are retired, she's a Pers retiree and I'm military retiree. The cost to reside in Oregon is depleting our monthly income. Increase in gas tax, increase in property tax, electrical cost and other newly legislature taxes, have us looking at other states who back up their support to those who served.

I personally, I have known several Oregon National Guard retirees who have moved to states that honor their veterans, especially National Guard veterans, by exempting their military income from state tax.

The revenue the Oregon Treasury loses not only from income of military but also from the income taxes, gas tax and property taxes that would have been collected if the Veteran have relocated to another state.

The Oregon Treasury Department will actually collect more revenue if the Veteran resides in the state versus exiting. In my conversations with other military retirees, many would move to the state of Oregon if HB 2050 or like is passed.

Sincerely,

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