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Currently Oregon is ranked as the worst state for military retirees to retire to in 2025 according to WalletHub. WalletHub is where places like the Wall Street Journal, Millitary.com, and other organizations look to for gather this kind of information. With this ranking Oregon is missing out for an opportunity to have a new revenue stream supporting local communities around the state. Along with that, also new employment opportunities to grow small business, or larger businesses with employees that have vast supervisory training and leadership capabilities.

As an Oregon resident I've seen across the state signs posted stating this county supports our Vetrans, as the worst state for military members to retire to this statement seems far-fetched. Now the people in our communities throughout the state support Veterans, it would be nice to see our elected officials support our Veterans as well.

I strongly encourage you to support HB2050, keep Oregon Veterans in Oregon and provide the opportunity for other Veterans to retire to our beautiful state!