

HB 2860 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans

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Meeting Dates: 4/3, 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Oregon Military Department to study and make recommendations regarding improvements to the operations of the department.

Fiscal impact: Minimal fiscal impact

Revenue impact: No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Recognizing US Space Force in statute so its members can access benefits for the Armed Forces
- Recognizing that 39 other states have passed similar legislation

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Replaces measure.

- Amends statutes relating to official records and files to add the Coast Guard, Marine Corps and the US Space Force
- Amends statutes to include the US Space Force relating to: termination of a tenant due to service with the Armed Forces; delegation of certain powers by parent or guardian; delegation during period of military service; persons not affected by unlawful possession of a firearm; contributions, benefits and retirement credit for periods of service in uniformed services or Armed Forces; withholding of state income taxes from federal retired pay for members of uniformed services; military pay; sales of cigarettes and tobacco to federal installations and veterans' institutions exempted; estimates of attendance, irregular attendance, and excused absences; admission of members of Armed Forces and specified federal agencies and of spouses and dependent children of members; fee and tuition rates; rights of student ordered to active duty; status of members of Armed Forces and certain federal agencies; rights of students ordered to active duty; roadside memorial signs; Armed Forces of the United States; Oregon Military Museum established at Camp Withycombe; resignations of commissioned and warrant officers; certain persons residents for licensing purposes regarding fish and wildlife permits, and requirements for practice of surgical technology in health care facilities

BACKGROUND:

The U.S. Space Force was established on Dec. 20, 2019, creating the first new branch of the armed services since 1947. Its core functions are to defend against space and counterspace threats, integrate joint functions across all domains on a global scale, and to deploy and sustain equipment in space.