

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2687

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Including House Amendments dated April 5

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

SUMMARY

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Modifies definition of "veteran" for certain purposes.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to veterans; amending ORS 408.225.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 408.225 is amended to read:

408.225. As used in ORS [241.240 and] 408.225 to 408.235:

[(1) "Veteran" means a person who served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States for a period of more than 180 consecutive days, and was discharged or released therefrom with other than a dishonorable discharge; or a person who served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States for 180 days or less and was discharged or released therefrom with other than a dishonorable discharge because of a service-connected disability. Attendance at a school under military orders, except schooling incident to an active enlistment or regular tour of duty, or normal military training as a reserve officer or member of an organized reserve or national guard unit shall not be considered active duty.]

(1) "Combat zone" means an area designated by the President of the United States by executive order in which, on the dates designated by executive order, the Armed Forces of the United States are or have engaged in combat.

(2) "Disabled veteran" means a person entitled to disability compensation under laws administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, a person whose discharge or release from active duty was for a disability incurred or aggravated in the line of duty or a person who was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in combat.

(3)(a) "Veteran" means a person who served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States:

(A) For a period of more than 178 consecutive days, and was discharged or released from active duty with other than a dishonorable discharge;

(B) For 178 days or less and was discharged or released from active duty with other than a dishonorable discharge because of a service-connected disability;

(C) For at least one day in a combat zone and was discharged or released from active duty with other than a dishonorable discharge; or

(D) Received a combat or campaign ribbon for service in the Armed Forces of the United

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 **States.**

2 **(b) As used in this subsection, “active duty” does not include attendance at a school un-**
3 **der military orders, except schooling incident to an active enlistment or regular tour of duty,**
4 **or normal military training as a reserve officer or member of an organized reserve or Na-**
5 **tional Guard unit.**

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