

House Joint Memorial 34

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

SUMMARY

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Urges Congress to pass National Guard and Reserve Bill of Rights Act of 2005 giving reservists right to quality, affordable health care.

JOINT MEMORIAL

To the President of the United States and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled:

We, your memorialists, the Seventy-third Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent as follows:

Whereas America owes a debt to the men and women who defend its freedom; and

Whereas the brave men and women of the Guard and Reserve have earned the benefits and improvements proposed in the National Guard and Reserve Bill of Rights; and

Whereas the time has come for the federal government to recognize the increased use of members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces in active duty and redouble its support for these courageous Americans and their families; and

Whereas every reservist should have the right to quality, affordable health care through the military's TRICARE health care system and the continuation of health benefit plan coverage for their dependents when they are called or ordered into active duty; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

(1) The Congress of the United States is respectfully urged to pass the National Guard and Reserve Bill of Rights Act of 2005, giving every reservist the right to quality, affordable health care.

(2) A copy of this memorial shall be sent to the President of the United States and to each member of the Oregon Congressional Delegation.

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.