

**A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 8**

Ordered by the Senate March 31
Including Senate Amendments dated March 31

Sponsored by Senator COURTNEY, Representative MINNIS; Senator MONNES ANDERSON

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Creates Oregon Military Emergency Financial Relief Program and Oregon Military Emergency Financial Relief Fund.

Appropriates moneys to [*Oregon Military Department*] **fund** for program.

Exempts amounts received as hardship grants under program from state personal income tax.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2005.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to active members of military; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.

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

3 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Military Emergency Financial Relief Program is created in**
4 **the Oregon Military Department. The purpose of the program is to provide hardship grants**
5 **not to exceed \$2,000 per family to members of the Oregon National Guard on active duty for**
6 **a period of 30 days or more.**

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8 **(2) The department shall adopt regulations implementing subsection (1) of this section,**
9 **including but not limited to establishing procedures for applying for a hardship grant and**
10 **criteria for determining eligibility to receive a hardship grant.**

11 **SECTION 2. The Oregon Military Emergency Financial Relief Fund is established in the**
12 **State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. The Oregon Military Emer-**
13 **gency Financial Relief Fund shall consist of moneys appropriated to the fund by the Legis-**
14 **lative Assembly. Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Military**
15 **Department for the purposes of funding hardship grants described in section 1 of this 2005**
16 **Act. Interest earned by the fund shall be credited to the fund.**

17 **SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
18 **ated to the Oregon Military Emergency Financial Relief Fund, for the biennium beginning**
19 **July 1, 2005, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$_____, which may be expended for**
20 **the purposes of section 1 of this 2005 Act.**

21 **SECTION 4. Section 5 of this 2005 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 316.**

22 **SECTION 5. Any amount received as a hardship grant under section 1 of this 2005 Act**
23 **is exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter.**

24 **SECTION 6. This 2005 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
25 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2005 Act takes effect**
26 **July 1, 2005.**

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.

