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Oregon House Passes Innovative Strategies for Veterans Housing

SALEM, Ore. – Today, the Oregon House unanimously passed House Bill 2530 (58-0, 2 excused), a bill that would require notices sent to veterans regarding foreclosures or liens to include information regarding benefits and housing assistance programs.

“It is simply unacceptable as policy makers to see more and more veterans on the street without somewhere to live,” Rep Zika said. “House Bill 2530 is a positive step forward that would address veterans homelessness by giving easy access to affordable housing resources for our veterans, who deserve it more than anyone else.”

Additionally, HB 2530 would create a task force that would require the Oregon Department of Veterans’ Affairs and the Housing & Community Services Department to report to the legislature on veterans housing programs, such as Operation Welcome Home.

The Central Oregon Representative is a sponsor of House Bill 2530 and member of the Veterans and Emergency Preparedness Committee. Zika was a co-carrier of HB 2530 along with Representative Marty Wilde (D-Eugene). HB 2530 now heads to the Senate, where it waits for committee referral.

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