

Oregon Revised Statutes for Veterans | Advisory Committee

406.210 Function of advisory committee; appointment, qualifications and term of members; chairperson; nominations by veterans organizations to fill vacancies. (1) The Governor shall appoint nine persons, all of whom are veterans as defined in ORS 408.225, to constitute the Advisory Committee and to act in an advisory capacity to the Director of Veterans' Affairs concerning all matters upon which the director requests counsel.

(2) The Governor shall make appointments to fill vacancies on the Advisory Committee. When a vacancy occurs, the Governor shall solicit and consider nominations from the executive committees of congressionally chartered veterans' organizations that maintain an Oregon state headquarters. A list of not more than three persons nominated by each executive committee shall be submitted to the Governor within 30 days after the vacancy occurs or, if the vacancy is due to the expiration of a member's term of office, not later than 30 days prior to the expiration of the member's term. Organizations interested in participating in the nomination process shall report the current address of their state headquarters to the Director of Veterans' Affairs. The director shall notify those organizations of any current or anticipated vacancy.

(3) The term of office of a member of the Advisory Committee is four years, and a member may be reappointed upon expiration of the member's term. However, a member of the Advisory Committee may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

(4) After consultation with the Director of Veterans' Affairs, the Advisory Committee shall select one committee member to act as chairperson of the Advisory Committee, subject to approval by the Governor.

(5) Each participating congressionally chartered veterans' organization shall furnish the director with a copy of its Congressional Charter including any subsequent amendments. [Amended by 1959 c.675 §1; 1975 c.603 §1; 1982 s.s.1 c.11 §8; 1991 c.798 §1; 2009 c.41 §18; 2009 c.206 §1]

406.215 Additional duties of advisory committee. In addition to any other powers and duties granted to the Advisory Committee by law, the Advisory Committee shall:

(1) Work with the Director of Veterans' Affairs to insure that the needs of the veterans and their dependents and survivors who reside in this state are recognized and addressed in a timely and effective manner.

(2) Review current issues affecting veterans and their dependents and survivors who reside in this state and make recommendations relating to those issues.

(3) Review current operations of the Department of Veterans' Affairs and make recommendations to the director concerning the operation of any part of the department.

(4) Make recommendations to the director for the establishment or revision of programs and entitlements for veterans. [1991 c.798 §2]

406.217 Duties of director concerning advisory committee. The Director of Veterans' Affairs shall:

(1) Solicit recommendations from the Advisory Committee on the administration of all federal and state laws affecting veterans, their spouses, dependents and survivors in this state.

(2) Instruct members of the Advisory Committee concerning the operation of all veterans' programs administered by the director. [1991 c.798 §3; 2007 c.44 §3]

406.220 Meetings and reports. The Advisory Committee shall meet within this state at least once each three months. At each such meeting the Director of Veterans' Affairs shall report upon all matters concerning the administration of the office of the director, and shall request the advice and counsel of the committee on matters concerning the policy thereof. Each August the Advisory Committee shall report to the Governor on all matters which it deems pertinent concerning the administration of the office of the director during the preceding year, and concerning any specific matters previously requested by the Governor, and on the administration of ORS 406.010 to 406.070, 406.090 and 406.340. [Amended by 1957 c.25 §1]

406.230 Compensation and expenses of members. Each member of the Advisory Committee is entitled to compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495. [Amended by 1969 c.314 §33]