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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to the Sister State Committee; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 285A.143 and 285A.145.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 285A.143 is amended to read:

285A.143. *[(1) Upon the request of any legislator, for a sister state relationship in which the State of Oregon participates, a sister state committee, consisting of up to 21 members each, shall be appointed as described in subsection (2) of this section. The committee shall be named for the sister state for which the committee is created and shall be known as the (name of sister state) Sister State Committee.]*

[(2) Membership of each sister state committee shall include:]

[(a) The President of the Senate, who shall be cochairperson of the committee;]

[(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be cochairperson of the committee;]

[(c) Two members of the Senate, who are not members of the same political party, appointed by the President of the Senate;]

[(d) Two members of the House of Representatives, who are not members of the same political party, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;]

[(e) Four members representing Oregon's business community appointed by the President of the Senate;]

[(f) Four members representing Oregon's business community appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;]

[(g)(A) One former member of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate and one former member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; or]

[(B) If one of the potential appointees described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph is not available, two former members of the Legislative Assembly appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;]

[(h) Two public members appointed by the President of the Senate;]

[(i) Two public members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and]

[(j) If the cochairpersons jointly agree, one elected state official.]

[(3)(a) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives may each designate an alternate from time to time from among the members of their respective chambers to exercise powers as a member of the committee when the President or Speaker is not in attendance at a

committee meeting, except that an alternate may not preside over a committee meeting in place of the President or Speaker.]

[(b) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall jointly select one of the members appointed under subsection (2)(e) or (f) of this section to be executive director to plan for and coordinate activities under ORS 285A.145 (2).]

[(4)(a) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives serve on a sister state committee so long as each continues to hold the office of President or Speaker.]

[(b) A member of the Legislative Assembly appointed under subsection (2)(c) or (d) of this section serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority and may continue to serve as long as the member remains in the chamber of the Legislative Assembly from which the member was appointed. Before the expiration of the legislative term of office of a member appointed under subsection (2)(c) or (d) of this section, the appointing authority shall appoint a successor whose term on the committee begins when the former member's legislative term of office ends. If there is a vacancy for a member appointed under subsection (2)(c) or (d) of this section for any other cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become effective immediately.]

[(c) The term of office of committee members appointed under subsection (2)(e) to (j) of this section is two years. A member appointed under subsection (2)(e) to (j) of this section is eligible for reappointment. If there is a vacancy for a member appointed under subsection (2)(e) to (j) of this section before the expiration of the term, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become effective immediately for the unexpired term.]

[(5) Members of the Legislative Assembly who are members of a sister state committee are entitled to a per diem as provided in ORS 171.072 except when members are out of the United States.]

[(6) The cochairpersons of a sister state committee shall preside alternately at sister state committee meetings.]

[(7) A majority of the members of a sister state committee constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.]

[(8) The Legislative Administration Committee shall provide administrative staff support for one meeting of the sister state committee held before the visit described in ORS 285A.145 (2) and for one meeting held after the visit.]

[(9) For the purposes of this section and ORS 285A.145, "sister state" means an international state or province.]

(1) The Sister State Committee shall be appointed as described in subsection (2) of this section. The committee may consist of not more than 21 members.

(2) Membership of the Sister State Committee includes:

(a) A cochairperson of the committee who is appointed by the President of the Senate from among the members of the Senate;

(b) A cochairperson of the committee who is appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives from among the members of the House of Representatives;

(c) Two members of the Senate who are not members of the same political party, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(d) Two members of the House of Representatives who are not members of the same political party, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

(e) Additional members selected according to criteria established by the committee and appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(3) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall jointly select one of the members appointed under subsection (2)(e) of this section to be executive director to plan for and coordinate activities under ORS 285A.145.

(4)(a) A member of the Legislative Assembly appointed under subsection (2)(a) to (d) of this section serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority and may continue to serve as long as the member remains in the chamber of the Legislative Assembly from which the member was appointed. Before the expiration of the legislative term of office of a member

appointed under subsection (2)(a) to (d) of this section, the appointing authority shall appoint a successor whose term on the committee begins when the former member's legislative term of office ends. If there is a vacancy for a member appointed under subsection (2)(a) to (d) of this section for any other cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become effective immediately.

(b) The term of office of committee members appointed under subsection (2)(e) of this section is two years. A member appointed under subsection (2)(e) of this section is eligible for reappointment. If there is a vacancy for a member appointed under subsection (2)(e) of this section before the expiration of the term, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become effective immediately for the unexpired term.

(5) Members of the Legislative Assembly who are members of the Sister State Committee are entitled to a per diem as provided in ORS 171.072 except when members are out of the United States.

(6) The cochairpersons of the Sister State Committee shall preside alternately at Sister State Committee meetings.

(7) A majority of the members of the Sister State Committee constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(8) The Legislative Administration Committee shall provide administrative staff support for one meeting of the Sister State Committee held before each visit described in ORS 285A.145 (2) and for one meeting held after each visit.

(9) The Sister State Committee shall plan, coordinate or conduct activities under ORS 285A.145 for all sister states of this state except Fujian Province.

(10) For the purposes of this section and ORS 285A.145, "sister state" means an international state or province.

SECTION 2. ORS 285A.145 is amended to read:

285A.145. *[If a sister state committee is appointed under ORS 285A.143:]*

[(1)] The Sister State Committee may:

[(a)] (1) Organize activities for and host visiting delegations from the sister *[state]* **states**;

[(b)] (2) Organize activities for, *[and]* **visit or** participate in delegations visiting *[the sister state and the nation in which the sister state is located]* **sister states and nations in which sister states are located**;

[(c)] (3) Provide for the exchange of information between the State of Oregon and *[the sister state]* **sister states**;

[(d)] (4) Work with representatives of *[the sister state]* **sister states** on joint projects; and

[(e)] (5) Take all actions necessary to facilitate and promote relations between the State of Oregon and *[the sister state]* **sister states**.

[(2)] *The sister state committee shall visit the sister state at least biennially for the purpose of fulfilling the objectives described in subsection (1) of this section.*

SECTION 3. (1) **The Fujian Sister State Committee is created consisting of the following members:**

(a) **The President of the Senate as an ex officio member and cochairperson of the committee;**

(b) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives as an ex officio member and cochairperson of the committee;**

(c) **Two members of the Senate who are not members of the same political party, appointed by the President of the Senate;**

(d) **Two members of the House of Representatives who are not members of the same political party, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;**

(e) **Four members representing Oregon's business community, appointed by the President of the Senate;**

(f) **Four members representing Oregon's business community, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;**

(g)(A) One former member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate, and one former member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; or

(B) If one of the potential appointees described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph is not available, two former members of the Legislative Assembly, appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(h) Two public members, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(i) Two public members, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

(j) If the cochairpersons agree, one elected state official, appointed jointly by the cochairpersons.

(2)(a) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives may each designate an alternate from time to time from among the members of their respective chambers to exercise powers as a member of the Fujian Sister State Committee when the President or Speaker is not in attendance at a committee meeting, except that an alternate may not preside over a committee meeting in place of the President or Speaker.

(b) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall jointly select one of the members appointed under subsection (1)(e) or (f) of this section to be executive director to plan for and coordinate activities under section 4 of this 2007 Act.

(3)(a) A member of the Legislative Assembly appointed under subsection (1)(c) or (d) of this section serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority and may continue to serve as long as the member remains in the chamber of the Legislative Assembly from which the member was appointed. Before the expiration of the legislative term of office of a member appointed under subsection (1)(c) or (d) of this section, the appointing authority shall appoint a successor whose term on the committee begins when the former member's legislative term of office ends. If there is a vacancy for a member appointed under subsection (1)(c) or (d) of this section for any other cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become effective immediately.

(b) The term of office of committee members appointed under subsection (1)(e) to (j) of this section is two years. A member appointed under subsection (1)(e) to (j) of this section is eligible for reappointment. If there is a vacancy for a member appointed under subsection (1)(e) to (j) of this section before the expiration of the term, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become effective immediately for the unexpired term.

(4) Members of the Legislative Assembly who are members of the Fujian Sister State Committee are entitled to a per diem as provided in ORS 171.072 except when members are out of the United States.

(5) The cochairpersons of the Fujian Sister State Committee shall preside alternately at meetings of the committee.

(6) A majority of the members of the Fujian Sister State Committee constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(7) The Legislative Administration Committee shall provide administrative staff support for one meeting of the Fujian Sister State Committee held before each visit described in section 4 (2) of this 2007 Act and for one meeting held after each visit.

SECTION 4. (1) The Fujian Sister State Committee established under section 3 of this 2007 Act may:

(a) Organize activities for and host visiting delegations from Fujian Province;

(b) Organize activities for and participate in delegations visiting Fujian Province and China;

(c) Provide for the exchange of information between the State of Oregon and Fujian Province;

(d) Work with representatives of Fujian Province on joint projects; and

(e) Take all actions necessary to facilitate and promote relations between the State of Oregon and Fujian Province.

(2) The Fujian Sister State Committee shall visit Fujian Province at least biennially for the purpose of fulfilling the objectives described in subsection (1) of this section.

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