

# House Bill 2066

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## 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 **as introduced**.

Consolidates Sister State Committees into one Sister State Committee. Removes requirement that President of Senate and Speaker of House of Representatives serve as cochairpersons of Sister State Committee. Requires Sister State Committee to establish membership criteria for certain committee members. Deletes requirement that committee visit sister states biennially.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the Sister State Committee; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 285A.143 and  
3 285A.145.

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

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

6 285A.143. (1) *[Upon the request of any legislator, for a sister state relationship in which the State*  
7 *of Oregon participates, a sister state committee, consisting of up to 21 members each,]* **The Sister State**  
8 **Committee** shall be appointed as described in subsection (2) of this section. **The committee may**  
9 **consist of not more than 21 members.** *[The committee shall be named for the sister state for which*  
10 *the committee is created and shall be known as the (name of sister state) Sister State Committee.]*

11 (2) Membership of *[each]* **the** Sister State Committee *[shall include]* **includes:**

12 (a) *[The President of the Senate, who shall be]* **A** cochairperson of the committee, **who is ap-**  
13 **pointed by the President of the Senate from among the members of the Senate;**

14 (b) *[The Speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be]* **A** cochairperson of the  
15 committee, **who is appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives from among the**  
16 **members of the House of Representatives;**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**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.

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

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

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

4        **(e) Additional members selected according to criteria established by the committee and**  
 5 **appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Represen-**  
 6 **tatives.**

7        *[(3)(a) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives may each*  
 8 *designate an alternate from time to time from among the members of their respective chambers to ex-*  
 9 *ercise powers as a member of the committee when the President or Speaker is not in attendance at a*  
 10 *committee meeting, except that an alternate may not preside over a committee meeting in place of the*  
 11 *President or Speaker.]*

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

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

17        *[(b)]* **(4)(a)** A member of the Legislative Assembly appointed under subsection *[(2)(c) or (d)]* **(2)(a)**  
 18 **to (d)** of this section serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority and may continue to serve  
 19 as long as the member remains in the chamber of the Legislative Assembly from which the member  
 20 was appointed. Before the expiration of the legislative term of office of a member appointed under  
 21 subsection *[(2)(c) or (d)]* **(2)(a) to (d)** of this section, the appointing authority shall appoint a suc-  
 22 cessor whose term on the committee begins when the former member’s legislative term of office  
 23 ends. If there is a vacancy for a member appointed under subsection *[(2)(c) or (d)]* **(2)(a) to (d)** of  
 24 this section for any other cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become ef-  
 25 fective immediately.

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

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

34        (6) The cochairpersons of *[a]* **the** Sister State Committee shall preside alternately at Sister State  
 35 Committee meetings.

36        (7) A majority of the members of *[a]* **the** Sister State Committee constitutes a quorum for the  
 37 transaction of business.

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

41        (9) For the purposes of this section and ORS 285A.145, “sister state” means an international  
 42 state or province.

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

44        285A.145. *[If a sister state committee is appointed under ORS 285A.143:]*

45        *[(1)]* The Sister State Committee may:

- 1        [(a)] (1) Organize activities for and host visiting delegations from the sister [state] **states**;  
2        [(b)] (2) Organize activities for, [and] **visit or** participate in delegations visiting [*the sister state*  
3 *and the nation in which the sister state is located*] **sister states and nations in which sister states**  
4 **are located**;  
5        [(c)] (3) Provide for the exchange of information between the State of Oregon and [*the sister*  
6 *state*] **sister states**;  
7        [(d)] (4) Work with representatives of [*the sister state*] **sister states** on joint projects; and  
8        [(e)] (5) Take all actions necessary to facilitate and promote relations between the State of  
9 Oregon and [*the sister state*] **sister states**.  
10        [(2) *The sister state committee shall visit the sister state at least biennially for the purpose of ful-*  
11 *filling the objectives described in subsection (1) of this section.*]

12        **SECTION 3. (1) The members of sister state committees formed under ORS 285A.143 and**  
13 **existing on the day before the effective date of this 2007 Act shall become the members of**  
14 **the Sister State Committee on the effective date of this 2007 Act, subject to the terms of**  
15 **office to which the members were appointed.**

16        (2) **Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, the terms of office for the**  
17 **cochairpersons of sister state committees formed under ORS 285A.143 and existing on the**  
18 **day before the effective date of this 2007 Act expire on the effective date of this 2007 Act.**  
19 **The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint**  
20 **Sister State Committee cochairpersons as provided in ORS 285A.143 (2)(a) and (b), as**  
21 **amended by section 1 of this 2007 Act.**

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