## House Bill 2519

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## **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.** 

Establishes Task Force on Gambling in Oregon in Oregon State Lottery. Requires task force to study issues related to gambling in Oregon and report findings to Legislative Assembly and Governor.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to Task Force on Gambling in Oregon; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) There is created in the Oregon State Lottery the Task Force on Gambling in Oregon consisting of 12 members appointed as follows:
  - (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member.
  - (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member.
    - (c) The Governor shall appoint 10 members.
  - (2) The appointments required by subsection (1) of this section shall be made no later than September 30, 2007.
  - (3) The task force shall study the effects of gambling in this state by conducting a costbenefit analysis of the social costs of gambling in comparison to the economic benefits for Oregon from all forms of legal gambling in this state. The task force shall also study the effectiveness of programs implemented under ORS 461.549 to address emotional and behavioral problems related to gambling.
  - (4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
  - (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members of the task force.
    - (6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
  - (7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.
  - (8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or of a majority of the members of the task force.
    - (9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.
  - (10) The task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations on gambling in Oregon to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 and to the Governor no later than June 30, 2008.
    - (11) The Oregon State Lottery Commission shall provide staff support to the task force.
    - (12) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed

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29 30 for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses shall be paid out of moneys appropriated for the purpose of administering and operating the Oregon State Lottery Commission and the state lottery under ORS 461.510.

(13) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the task force in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force consider necessary to perform their duties.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> Section 1 of this 2007 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the next regular biennial legislative session.

SECTION 3. This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect on its passage.