

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 2584**

Ordered by the House May 10  
Including House Amendments dated May 10

Sponsored by Representative BUCKLEY; Representative WHISNANT

**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.

*[Creates Task Force on Morale in Kindergarten through Grade 12 Education. Directs task force to study morale of teachers, staff and students in kindergarten through grade 12 public schools.]*

**Creates Task Force on Civics and Financial Education to study and make recommendations about how to increase and improve civics and financial education in kindergarten through grade 12 public schools.**

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2007.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to education; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) There is created the Task Force on Civics and Financial Education con-**  
5 **sisting of nine members.**

6 **(2) The Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Speaker of the House of Represen-**  
7 **tatives and the President of the Senate shall each appoint three members from among**  
8 **groups representing school administrators, civics teachers, finance teachers, teachers who**  
9 **are members of a labor union, school district boards, students, business leaders and other**  
10 **groups with expertise in civics and financial education.**

11 **(3) The task force shall study and make recommendations about how to increase and**  
12 **improve civics and financial education in kindergarten through grade 12 public schools.**

13 **(4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**  
14 **of business.**

15 **(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**  
16 **of the task force.**

17 **(6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.**

18 **(7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-**  
19 **ment to become immediately effective.**

20 **(8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson**  
21 **or of a majority of the members of the task force.**

22 **(9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.**

23 **(10) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-**  
24 **lation, to the interim legislative committees on education on or before October 1, 2008.**

25 **(11) The Department of Education shall provide staff support to the task force.**

26 **(12) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed**

**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 for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of  
2 their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for ex-  
3 penses shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the department for that purpose.

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

8 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2007 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the next  
9 regular biennial legislative session.

10 SECTION 3. This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
11 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect  
12 July 1, 2007.

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