

# House Bill 2837

Sponsored by Representative GREENLICK

## SUMMARY

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Establishes task force to study feasibility of State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation providing medical malpractice insurance in Oregon. Requires task force to report to interim committee of legislature by October 1, 2008.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to medical malpractice insurance; 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 the State Accident Insurance Fund**  
5 **Corporation as a Medical Malpractice Insurer consisting of nine members appointed as fol-**  
6 **lows:**

7 (a) **The President of the Senate shall appoint four members.**

8 (b) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint four members.**

9 (c) **The State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation shall appoint one member.**

10 (2) **The task force shall study and report on the feasibility of the State Accident Insur-**  
11 **ance Fund Corporation providing medical malpractice insurance in this state.**

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

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

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

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

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

21 (8) **The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.**

22 (9) **The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-**  
23 **lation, to an interim committee related to medical malpractice insurance no later than Oc-**  
24 **tober 1, 2008.**

25 (10) **The State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation shall provide staff support to the**  
26 **task force.**

27 (11) **Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed**  
28 **for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of**  
29 **their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for ex-**  
30 **penses shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly for that purpose.**

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

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

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

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