

House Bill 2927

Sponsored by Representative CANNON; Representative GREENLICK

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 Anatomical Gift Donation. Requires Governor to appoint members of task force. Instructs task force to consider specific issues related to anatomical gift donations and to report findings and recommendations for legislation to appropriate interim legislative committee by October 1, 2008.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to task force on anatomical gift donations; 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 Anatomical Gift Donation consisting**
5 **of nine members appointed by the Governor as follows:**

6 (a) **The State Medical Examiner;**

7 (b) **A recipient of an anatomical gift donation;**

8 (c) **A representative of an organ procurement organization;**

9 (d) **A representative of an eye or tissue bank;**

10 (e) **A relative of a person who made an anatomical gift donation;**

11 (f) **An enucleator licensed as an embalmer by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board;**

12 (g) **The Public Health Officer appointed under ORS 431.045; and**

13 (h) **Two representatives of the public.**

14 (2) **The task force shall study how anatomical gifts are being made and how organizations**
15 **receiving anatomical gifts operate. The study should include, but not be limited to, consid-**
16 **eration of:**

17 (a) **Licensure of organ procurement organizations obtaining anatomical gift donations in**
18 **Oregon;**

19 (b) **Licensure of persons who remove organs from human remains;**

20 (c) **Standards for facilities where the removal of organs from human remains occurs;**

21 (d) **Standards for the disposition of remains of a human body donated as an anatomical**
22 **gift;**

23 (e) **Disclosure requirements for organizations soliciting or performing the removal of**
24 **organs from human remains;**

25 (f) **Options for the regulation of trade practices of organizations that sell, trade or give**
26 **human remains to other organizations; and**

27 (g) **The practices of organizations that accept anatomical gifts for research and educa-**
28 **tional purposes.**

29 (3) **The task force may hold hearings and subpoena witnesses as necessary to carry out**
30 **the purposes of this section.**

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

3 (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members
4 of the task force.

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

6 (7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the Governor shall make an appointment to be-
7 come immediately effective.

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

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

11 (10) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-
12 lation, to an interim committee related to regulated professions or public health issues, as
13 appropriate, no later than October 1, 2008.

14 (11) The Department of Human Services shall provide staff support to the task force.

15 (12) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed
16 for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of
17 their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for ex-
18 penses shall be paid out of funds appropriated to Department of Human Services for that
19 purpose.

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

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

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

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