## House Bill 3267

Sponsored by Representative GREENLICK; Representatives BARNHART, MERKLEY, TOMEI (at the request of Dr. Anthony Biglan)

## **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.

Creates Task Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science Research. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

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- Relating to Task Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science Research; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 5 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) There is created the Task Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science 6 Research, consisting of 15 members appointed by the Governor as follows:
  - (a) One representative from the Oregon Public Health Advisory Board;
  - (b) One representative from the State Commission on Children and Families;
  - (c) One representative from the State Board of Education;
  - (d) One representative from the Department of Human Services who provides addiction and mental health services;
    - (e) One representative from Oregon Health and Science University;
    - (f) One representative from a department at the University of Oregon that provides educational and community support;
  - (g) One representative from an institute at the University of Oregon that studies violence and destructive behavior:
  - (h) One representative from a center at the University of Oregon on children and the family;
  - (i) One representative from a school at Portland State University that provides instruction in social work;
  - (j) One representative from a department at Oregon State University that provides instruction in public health;
  - (k) One representative from an Oregon-based nonprofit research institute dedicated to the study of human behavior;
    - (L) One representative from an Oregon-based center for social learning;
  - (m) One representative from a health maintenance organization with a center for health research;
    - (n) One representative from the Association of Oregon Counties; and
  - (o) One representative from a nonpartisan Oregon-based child advocacy organization.
  - (2) The task force shall study methods to increase the coordination of behavioral science research with practical efforts to improve the well-being of Oregonians. As part of its study,

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1 the task force shall:

- (a) Review Oregon's systems for monitoring human well-being;
- (b) Propose strategies for coordinating research and practice organizations to ensure implementation of programs to improve the well-being of Oregonians; and
- (c) Identify behavioral science research programs, policies and practices that could be utilized to help Oregonians.
  - (3) The task force may create a searchable database of:
  - (a) All behavioral science organizations and research projects in Oregon; and
- (b) Behavioral scientists who are willing to be consultants to state agencies and nonprofit human service organizations.
- (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 Governor 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, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the Governor and to interim committees related to education no later than October 1, 2008.
  - (11) The Department of Human Services shall provide staff support to the task force.
- (12) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed 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 funds appropriated to the Department of Human Services for that purpose.
- (13) All appointments to the task force made under subsection (1) of this section must be completed by the later of 60 days after adjournment sine die of the regular session of the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly or October 1, 2007.
- (14) 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.
- <u>SECTION 3.</u> 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.