Senate Bill 713

Sponsored by Senator G GEORGE; Senators ATKINSON, KRUSE, WHITSETT, Representatives BOQUIST, DALLUM, FLORES, GIROD, LIM, RICHARDSON, THATCHER

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 Education Reform. Directs task force to study and make recommendation on models of education delivery.

Declares emergency, effective on its passage.

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- 2 Relating to Task Force on Education Reform; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) There is created the Task Force on Education Reform, consisting of 11 members appointed as follows:
- 6 (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the 7 Senate. The members appointed under this paragraph may not be from the same political 8 party.
 - (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among members of the House of Representatives. The members appointed under this paragraph may not be from the same political party.
 - (c) The President and the Speaker shall jointly appoint seven members who represent:
- 13 (A) Parents of students;
- 14 (B) Private schools:

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- 15 (C) Students who are homeschooled;
- 16 (D) Professional and technical education providers; and
- 17 (E) Other education providers.
- 18 (2) The task force shall study:
- 19 (a) The New Zealand model of education delivery;
- 20 (b) European models of education delivery;
- 21 (c) Models of education delivery that provide school choice; and
- 22 (d) Other successful models of education delivery.
- 23 (3) The task force shall make recommendations on a model of education delivery that would provide Oregonians with a high-quality education.
 - (4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 27 (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members 28 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 appoint-

ment 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 may presession file legislation in the manner provided in ORS 171.130 for interim committees. All legislation recommended by official action of the task force must indicate that it is introduced at the request of the task force.
- (11) The task force shall report to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided in ORS 192.245 at any time within 30 days after its final meeting or at such later time as the President and Speaker may designate.
- (12) The Legislative Administrator may employ persons necessary for the performance of the functions of the task force. The Legislative Administrator shall fix the duties and amounts of compensation of these employees. The task force shall use the services of permanent legislative staff to the greatest extent practicable.
- (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.
- <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.

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