A-Engrossed Senate Bill 856

Ordered by the Senate May 4 Including Senate Amendments dated May 4

Sponsored by Senator MORSE, Representative SHIELDS; Senators BROWN, CARTER, NELSON, WALKER, WESTLUND, WINTERS, Representatives BRUUN, BUCKLEY, GARRARD, HANNA, HOLVEY, HUNT, JENSON, LIM, NATHANSON

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 Smart on Crime Task Force.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Legislative Administration Committee for purposes of task force.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to Smart on Crime Task Force; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) There is created the Smart on Crime Task Force consisting of six mem-5 bers appointed as follows:
 - (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the Senate. One member must be a member of the Democratic party and one must be a member of the Republican party.
 - (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among members of the House of Representatives. One member must be a member of the Democratic party and one must be a member of the Republican party.
 - (c) The Governor shall appoint two members.
 - (2) The task force shall:

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- (a) Evaluate state-funded programs, including but not limited to child development programs, to ensure that the funding effectively and efficiently reduces crime;
- (b) Identify state-funded programs that effectively reduce crime and victimization by reducing recidivism;
- (c) Identify ways in which the state can increase support for state-funded programs that are intended to reduce criminal and delinquent behavior;
- (d) Make recommendations for changes in the state's sentencing laws in order that the laws better meet the principles of section 15, Article I of the Oregon Constitution;
- (e) Make recommendations based upon cost-benefit analyses of state criminal justice policies; and
- (f) Make recommendations on how best to use available resources to reduce crime and victimization and hold offenders accountable for their actions.
 - (3) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction

1 of business.

- (4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members of the task force.
 - (5) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
- (6) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.
- (7) 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.
 - (8) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.
- (9) The task force shall submit a report containing the results of its evaluations and its recommendations, which may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee related to the judiciary no later than October 1, 2008.
 - (10) The Legislative Administrator shall provide staff support to the task force.
- (11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.
- (12) 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> There is appropriated to the Legislative Administration Committee, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$_____ for the purpose of carrying out the duties of the Smart on Crime Task Force.
- <u>SECTION 4.</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.