House Bill 2851

Sponsored by Representatives BRUUN, GELSER

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 Alternative Tuition Systems. Sunsets task force on date of convening of next regular biennial legislative session. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to alternative tuition systems; and declaring an emergency.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) There is created the Task Force on Alternative Tuition Systems, consisting of five members appointed by the Governor. Members of the task force shall have knowledge and experience in the field of higher education.
 - (2) The task force shall study the feasibility of alternatives to traditional methods of payment for college tuition.
 - (3) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction 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 Governor 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, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to higher education no later than October 1, 2010.
 - (10) The Department of Higher Education shall provide staff support to the task force.
 - (11) 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 Higher Education for purposes of 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.

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.

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1	SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2009 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the next
2	regular biennial legislative session.
3	SECTION 3. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
4	peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect
5	on its passage.