

House Bill 2967

Sponsored by Representative GREENLICK (at the request of Dr. Tony Biglan, Ph.D.)

SUMMARY

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Creates Task Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science Research.
Sunsets task force January 2, 2012.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to Task Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science Research; and declaring an emer-
3 gency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science Research is es-**
6 **ablished.**

7 **(2) The purpose of the task force is to study methods to coordinate behavioral science**
8 **research with practical efforts to improve the well-being of Oregonians. As part of the study,**
9 **the task force shall:**

10 **(a) Review Oregon's systems for monitoring human well-being;**

11 **(b) Propose strategies for coordinating research and practice organizations to ensure**
12 **implementation of programs to improve the well-being of Oregonians; and**

13 **(c) Identify behavioral science research programs, policies and practices that could be**
14 **used to help Oregonians.**

15 **(3) In addition to the study conducted by the task force as described in subsection (2) of**
16 **this section, the task force may create a searchable database of:**

17 **(a) All behavioral science organizations and research projects in Oregon; and**

18 **(b) Behavioral scientists who are willing to be consultants for state agencies and**
19 **nonprofit human service organizations.**

20 **(4) The task force consists of 15 members appointed by the Governor. The members shall**
21 **be appointed as follows:**

22 **(a) One representative from the Oregon Public Health Advisory Board.**

23 **(b) One representative from the State Commission on Children and Families.**

24 **(c) One representative from the State Board of Education.**

25 **(d) One representative from the Department of Human Services who provides addiction**
26 **and mental health services.**

27 **(e) One representative from Oregon Health and Science University.**

28 **(f) One representative from the University of Oregon who provides educational and**
29 **community support.**

30 **(g) One representative from the University of Oregon who studies violence and destruc-**
31 **tive behavior.**

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 (h) One representative from the University of Oregon who provides services to children
2 and families.

3 (i) One representative from Portland State University who provides instruction in social
4 work.

5 (j) One representative from Oregon State University who provides instruction in public
6 health.

7 (k) One representative from an Oregon-based nonprofit research organization dedicated
8 to the study of human behavior.

9 (L) One representative from an Oregon-based organization for social learning.

10 (m) One representative from a health maintenance organization that conducts health
11 research.

12 (n) One representative from the Association of Oregon Counties.

13 (o) One representative from a nonpartisan Oregon-based child advocacy organization.

14 (5) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction
15 of business.

16 (6) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members
17 of the task force.

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

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

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

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

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

28 (12) Members of the task force serve as volunteers on the task force and are not entitled
29 to compensation or reimbursement for expenses.

30 (13) For the purpose of carrying out the duties of the task force, the Department of
31 Human Services may accept contributions of moneys and assistance from any source, public
32 or private, and agree to conditions placed on the moneys not inconsistent with the duties of
33 the task force.

34 (14) All moneys received by the Department of Human Services under subsection (13) of
35 this section shall be paid into the State Treasury and deposited in the Department of Human
36 Services Account established under ORS 409.060 to be used for the purpose of carrying out
37 the duties of the task force. Moneys received for the task force and deposited into the De-
38 partment of Human Services Account are not subject to ORS 409.060 (3).

39 (15) The Department of Human Services shall provide staff support to the task force from
40 contributions received as provided in subsection (13) of this section.

41 **SECTION 2.** (1) Except for appointments to fill a vacancy, all appointments to the Task
42 Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science Research made under section 1 of this 2009 Act
43 must be completed by the later of 60 days after adjournment sine die of the regular session
44 of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly or October 1, 2009.

45 (2) The Task Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science Research established under

1 section 1 of this 2009 Act shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for leg-
2 islation, to the Governor and to interim committees related to education no later than Oc-
3 tober 1, 2010.

4 **SECTION 3.** Section 1 of this 2009 Act is repealed on January 2, 2012.

5 **SECTION 4.** (1) On January 2, 2012, the Task Force on Coordination of Behavioral Science
6 Research is abolished.

7 (2) The chairperson of the task force shall wind up the affairs of the task force before
8 January 2, 2012.

9 (3) On January 2, 2012, all unobligated and unexpended moneys available to the Depart-
10 ment of Human Services for use by the task force are transferred from the Department of
11 Human Services Account established under ORS 409.060 to the General Fund and are avail-
12 able for general governmental purposes.

13 **SECTION 5.** This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
14 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect
15 on its passage.

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