

Senate Bill 840

Sponsored by Senator STARR (at the request of Compassion First, Transitions Global)

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 Human Trafficking. Describes membership and duties of task force. Requires task force to report to interim committee related to judiciary.

Sunsets task force on date of convening of next regular biennial legislative session.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to human trafficking; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) There is created the Task Force on Human Trafficking, consisting of the**
5 **following 17 members:**

6 (a) **Four members appointed by the Governor as follows:**

7 (A) **One member who represents the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association;**

8 (B) **One member who represents the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police;**

9 (C) **One member who is a lawyer routinely engaged in providing legal services to immi-**
10 **grants; and**

11 (D) **One member who represents an organization that advocates on behalf of immigrants;**

12 (b) **Eight members appointed by the Attorney General as follows:**

13 (A) **One member who represents the Department of Justice Crime Victims' Assistance**
14 **Section;**

15 (B) **One member who is a lawyer routinely engaged in prosecuting persons charged with**
16 **a crime;**

17 (C) **One member who is a lawyer routinely engaged in representing persons charged with**
18 **a crime; and**

19 (D) **Five members who represent public and private sector organizations that provide**
20 **assistance to persons who are victims of human trafficking;**

21 (c) **One member, appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, who is employed**
22 **by the Judicial Department;**

23 (d) **The Director of Human Services or a designee of the director;**

24 (e) **The Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries or a designee of the com-**
25 **missioner;**

26 (f) **The Attorney General or a designee of the Attorney General; and**

27 (g) **The Superintendent of State Police or a designee of the superintendent.**

28 (2) **The task force shall:**

29 (a) **Measure and evaluate the progress of the state in preventing human trafficking;**

30 (b) **Identify available federal, state and local programs that provide services to victims**

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 of human trafficking that include, but are not limited to, health care, human services,
2 housing, education, legal assistance, job training or preparation, interpreting services, Eng-
3 lish as a second language classes and the compensation of victims of crime;

4 (c) Make recommendations on methods to provide a coordinated system of support and
5 assistance to persons who are victims of human trafficking;

6 (d) Examine model state legislation on human trafficking;

7 (e) Oversee the ongoing efforts of state agencies to develop human trafficking protocols;
8 and

9 (f) Review mandatory reporting laws as they may apply to victims of human trafficking.

10 (3) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction
11 of business.

12 (4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members
13 of the task force.

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

15 (6) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-
16 ment to become immediately effective.

17 (7) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson
18 or of a majority of the members of the task force.

19 (8) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

20 (9) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-
21 lation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary no later
22 than October 1, 2010.

23 (10) The Department of Justice shall provide staff support to the task force.

24 (11) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for
25 expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

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

30 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2009 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the next
31 regular biennial legislative session.

32 **SECTION 3.** This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
33 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect
34 on its passage.