

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Fiscal statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference
<b>Vote:</b>	7 - 1 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Cameron, Clem, Conger, Matthews, Smith J., Holvey, Whisnant
<b>Nays:</b>	Sheehan
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Jan Nordlund, Administrator
<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	2/22, 3/17

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Creates the State and Local Government Efficiency Task Force. Directs the task force to analyze at least the following service categories: elections, human services, natural resources, education, and criminal justice. Directs the task force to submit a final report by October 1, 2012 and specifies content of the final report. Sunsets the task force on February 4, 2013. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Work of the Task Force on Effective and Cost-Efficient Service Provision during 2009-10 interim
- Need for simplification and reorganization of bureaucracies
- Need for collaboration between levels of government
- Size and makeup of the task force membership
- Education and Natural Resources added as categories of service to be analyzed
- Need for follow up on the recommendations coming through as legislation

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Specifies that the seven members of the task force who are from state agencies and departments will represent expertise in the areas the task force will analyze and that one of those seven may be from the private sector. Specifies that the report will include recommendations for administrative actions and legislative proposals.

**BACKGROUND:** During the 2009 legislative session, House Bill 2920 passed with bipartisan support to create the Task Force on Effective and Cost-Efficient Service Provision. The Task Force was charged with reviewing state and county shared services in four areas: assessment and taxation, elections, human services, and criminal justice, with the objective of considering a redistribution of functions in those areas.

In its final report, the Task Force presented 23 recommendations. Fourteen of those recommendations were to be drafted into legislative proposals. The final report noted that perhaps the most valuable part of the Task Force was in bringing the Legislature, the Governor's office, state agencies, counties, cities, and special districts to the same table to discuss issues that impact every resident of Oregon. The Task Force noted that it was particularly valuable to have the policy makers, service deliverers, and administrators all together working toward effective and efficient service delivery. One of the 23 recommendations was to continue the work of the Task Force, modifying the focus to include natural resources and education while continuing criminal justice, human services, and elections.

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