

Enrolled
House Bill 2855

Sponsored by Representative NATHANSON; Representatives BARKER, BARNHART, DEMBROW, DOHERTY, FREDERICK, HOYLE, J SMITH, Senators DEVLIN, EDWARDS (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to efficiencies in the provision of governmental services; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) There is created the State and Local Government Efficiency Task Force, consisting of 18 members appointed as follows:

(a) The Governor shall appoint:

(A) One member from among staff of the Governor's office.

(B) Seven members, of whom at least six shall be from state agencies and departments other than the Governor's office, representing expertise in areas listed in subsection (3) of this section. One member may be from the private sector, representing knowledge about organizational change or related expertise.

(C) Two members who are county commissioners in this state. The Governor shall consider recommendations for these positions from the Association of Oregon Counties.

(D) One member who is a mayor or city councilor in this state. The Governor shall consider recommendations for this position from the League of Oregon Cities.

(E) One member who is a member of a special district board of directors.

(b) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the Senate, including at least one member of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

(c) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among members of the House of Representatives, including at least one member from the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

(d) The Secretary of State and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall serve as ex officio members.

(2) The task force shall:

(a) Review opportunities to provide services in the most effective and cost-efficient manner through reorganization of the way services are delivered by state and local government entities and through specific process improvements; and

(b) Consider the ability of intergovernmental agreements, existing or new service districts and technology to achieve cost savings.

(3) The task force shall analyze, at a minimum, the following categories of services under subsection (2) of this section:

(a) Elections;

(b) Human services;

(c) Natural resources;

- (d) Education; and
- (e) Criminal justice.

(4) The task force may analyze additional services under subsection (2) of this section.

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

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

(7) The Governor shall appoint one of the members as chairperson.

(8) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

(9) 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.

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

(11) The task force shall submit an interim report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly no later than January 31, 2012, reporting progress of work, and shall submit a final report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly no later than October 1, 2012. The final report shall include recommendations for administrative actions and legislative proposals needed to accomplish the recommendations and shall describe opportunities or problems the task force identified but was unable to address or for which the task force was unable to reach a recommendation for action.

(12) The task force shall use the services of permanent staff of the offices of the Governor, Secretary of State, Judicial Department and Legislative Fiscal Officer. The task force shall also accept staff assistance from:

- (a) The Association of Oregon Counties, if the association offers assistance; and
- (b) The League of Oregon Cities, if the league offers assistance.

(13) 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.

(14)(a) The task force shall appoint technical advisers to aid and advise the task force in the performance of its functions.

(b) The task force shall establish subcommittees to work on the subject areas identified in subsection (3) of this section in the priority order that the task force identifies at its initial meeting.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2011 Act is repealed on February 4, 2013.

SECTION 3. This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect on its passage.

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