

House Bill 2859

Sponsored by Representative NATHANSON; Representative BARKER, Senator VERGER (Pre-session filed.)

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**.

Establishes Task Force on State Historical Resources to develop plans for coordination among agencies and institutions dedicated to preserving Oregon history.

Sunsets task force on date of convening of 2013 regular legislative session.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to the preservation of Oregon history; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on State Historical Resources is established, consisting**
5 **of the following members appointed by the Governor:**

6 (a) **The State Archivist or a designee of the State Archivist;**

7 (b) **The State Librarian or a designee of the State Librarian;**

8 (c) **A member of the State Historical Records Advisory Board other than the State**
9 **Archivist;**

10 (d) **A member of the Oregon Heritage Commission; and**

11 (e) **Any other members the Governor considers necessary.**

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

13 (a) **Review the authority, duties and mission of the State Archives, the State Library, the**
14 **State Historical Records Advisory Board and the Oregon Heritage Commission;**

15 (b) **Establish a permanent schedule of ongoing semiannual joint meetings of represen-**
16 **tatives of the agencies listed in paragraph (a) of this subsection to define the duties of each**
17 **agency and to ensure collaboration, and reduce overlap, among the agencies;**

18 (c) **Solicit from the State Historical Records Advisory Board and other agencies and or-**
19 **ganizations dedicated to the preservation of Oregon history, a five-year plan and arrange for**
20 **the agencies and organizations to review their plans jointly to define the duties of each**
21 **agency and organization, to ensure collaboration, and reduce overlap, among the agencies**
22 **and organizations and to consider regionalization and assistance to rural communities; and**

23 (d) **Develop a plan for centralized coordination of requests for funding from, and awards**
24 **of grants to, local agencies and organizations dedicated to the preservation of Oregon his-**
25 **tory.**

26 (3) **A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**
27 **of business.**

28 (4) **Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**
29 **of the task force.**

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

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

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

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

6 **(9) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-**
7 **lation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to the preservation of**
8 **Oregon history no later than July 1, 2012.**

9 **(10) The State Archives shall provide staff support to the task force.**

10 **(11) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed**
11 **for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of**
12 **their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for ex-**
13 **periences shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the State Archives for purposes of the task**
14 **force.**

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

19 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2011 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the 2013**
20 **regular legislative session.**

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

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