

# House Bill 3210

Sponsored by Representative BUCKLEY

## SUMMARY

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Establishes Task Force on Oregon Heritage Vitality to study public funding of historical societies and other organizations related to cultural heritage of Oregon.  
Sunsets task force on February 4, 2013.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to the Task Force on Oregon Heritage Vitality; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Oregon Heritage Vitality is established, consisting of**  
5 **14 members appointed as follows:**

6 (a) **The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
7 **Senate.**

8 (b) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among**  
9 **members of the House of Representatives.**

10 (c) **The Governor shall appoint:**

11 (A) **Members representing each of the following:**

12 (i) **The Oregon Heritage Commission;**

13 (ii) **The State Historic Preservation Officer;**

14 (iii) **The Association of Oregon Counties;**

15 (iv) **The League of Oregon Cities;**

16 (v) **The Oregon Historical Society;**

17 (vi) **The Oregon Cultural Trust;**

18 (vii) **The Oregon Museums Association;**

19 (viii) **The Oregon Tourism Commission;**

20 (ix) **A private or not-for-profit heritage organization; and**

21 (x) **A federally recognized Indian tribe in Oregon; and**

22 (B) **Two public members at large.**

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

24 (a) **Review Oregon's systems for providing public funds to the Oregon Historical Society,**  
25 **county historical societies and museums and other Oregon heritage organizations.**

26 (b) **Review county historical fund operations and the effectiveness of county historical**  
27 **funds in promoting historical museums, history education, heritage tourism, historic pres-**  
28 **ervation and related economic development.**

29 (c) **Review city museum operations and the effectiveness of city museums in promoting**  
30 **historical museums, history education, heritage tourism, historic preservation and related**

**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 economic development.

2 (d) Study and assess the amounts of private moneys supporting county historical fund  
3 operations and city museum operations and recommend programs or changes to expand pri-  
4 vate support of those operations.

5 (e) Evaluate statutory law relating to county historical funds and city museums, as cod-  
6 ified in ORS chapter 358, and the related administrative rules adopted by state agencies.

7 (f) Study, assess and recommend programs and projects, including pilot projects, to en-  
8 courage coordinated efforts at the state, county and city levels to improve heritage tourism,  
9 history education and historic preservation and related economic development.

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

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

14 (5) The task force shall by majority vote elect one of its members to serve as chair-  
15 person.

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

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

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

21 (9) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-  
22 lation, to the joint legislative committee established under ORS 171.555 or an interim com-  
23 mittee of the Legislative Assembly related to Oregon heritage, as appropriate, no later than  
24 October 1, 2012.

25 (10) The State Parks and Recreation Department shall provide staff support to the task  
26 force.

27 (11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not  
28 entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other  
29 expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and  
30 amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions  
31 of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the State Parks and Recreation  
32 Department for purposes of the task force.

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

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

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