Senate Bill 249

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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 School Reform. Directs task force to study reform of kindergarten through grade 12 public education and make recommendations on how to reform kindergarten through grade 12 public education.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2011.

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- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on School Reform is established. The task force shall:
 - (a) Study the reform of kindergarten through grade 12 public education; and
 - (b) Make recommendations about how to reform kindergarten through grade 12 public education.
 - (2) The task force consists of members appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The superintendent shall appoint members who represent administrators, teachers, school district boards and other groups identified by the superintendent.
 - (3) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
 - (4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting members of the task force.
 - (5) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
 - (6) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the superintendent shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.
 - (7) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.
 - (8) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.
 - (9) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim legislative committees on education on or before October 1, 2012.
 - (10) The Department of Education shall provide staff support to the task force.
 - (11) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the department for purposes of the task force.
 - (12) 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.

 $\underline{\text{SECTION 2.}}$ Section 1 of this 2011 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the 2013 legislative session.

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 July 1, 2011.

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