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SUMMARY

Establishes Task Force on Achievement Gaps.
Sunsets task force on date of convening of 2015 regular session of Legislative Assembly.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to education; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Achievement Gaps is established.

(2) The task force consists of members appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The superintendent shall appoint members who represent administrators, teachers, school districts, education service districts and other groups identified by the superintendent.

(3) The task force shall identify methods for improving the student achievement gap between student groups identified by culture, poverty, language, race and other student groups.

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

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

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

(7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the superintendent shall

1 **make an appointment to become immediately effective.**

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

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

7 **(10) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recom-**
8 **mendations for legislation, to the interim legislative committees on**
9 **education no later than October 1, 2014.**

10 **(11) The Department of Education shall provide staff support to the**
11 **task force.**

12 **(12) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or**
13 **reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers of the task force.**

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

19 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2013 Act is repealed on the date of the**
20 **convening of the 2015 regular session of the Legislative Assembly as**
21 **specified in ORS 171.010.**

22 **SECTION 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-**
23 **ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-**
24 **clared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.**

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