

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 2927**

Ordered by the House April 17  
Including House Amendments dated April 17

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY

**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.

*[Establishes Task Force on State Government Boards and Commissions. Directs task force to study functions and duties of state government boards and commissions and make recommendations to improve efficiencies and effectiveness.]*

*[Sunsets task force on date of convening of 2014 regular session of Legislative Assembly.]*

**Requires Governor to submit written report to Legislative Assembly on best practices for use of boards, commissions, task forces and work groups. Requires report to address redundancy and fragmentation among existing boards and commissions, review existing boards, commissions, task forces and work groups to identify opportunities for consolidation or elimination, and make recommendations on board, commission, task force and work group procedures. Authorizes Governor to address other topics.**

**Repeals Act on January 2, 2017.**

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to government entities; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Governor shall submit a written report to the 2014 regular session**  
5 **of the Legislative Assembly on best practices for the use of boards, commissions, task forces**  
6 **and work groups as tools for better government and as resources for engaging and con-**  
7 **ducting public outreach with Oregonians.**

8 **(2) The report may include:**

9 **(a) Criteria or conditions that must be met prior to the establishment of a board, com-**  
10 **mission, task force or work group;**

11 **(b) Criteria or rules of procedure that must be included in the statute or other organ-**  
12 **izational document establishing or modifying the duties of the board, commission, task force**  
13 **or work group;**

14 **(c) Information on costs routinely incurred in administering a board or commission;**

15 **(d) Recommended training for members of a board, commission, task force or work**  
16 **group;**

17 **(e) Recommended processes for receiving, investigating and bringing to resolution com-**  
18 **plaints about boards, commissions, task forces and work groups; and**

19 **(f) Any other information the Governor determines is warranted for inclusion in the re-**  
20 **port.**

21 **(3) The report shall include:**

22 **(a) Recommendations on how to identify and reduce fragmentation, duplication and re-**

**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 **dundancy among existing boards and commissions;**

2 **(b) A review of currently existing boards, commissions, task forces and work groups that**  
3 **identifies opportunities to conclude work, combine missions or consolidate agencies; and**

4 **(c) Recommendations on procedures for establishing a periodic and ongoing review of**  
5 **boards, commissions, task forces and work groups to ensure retention of those entities for**  
6 **which a demonstrated need continues to exist.**

7 **(4) In preparing the report described in subsection (1) of this section, the Governor shall**  
8 **consult with the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the**  
9 **co-chairs of the Ways and Means Subcommittee on General Government and the Secretary**  
10 **of State, or their designees.**

11 **(5) After making the report described in subsection (1) of this section, the Governor may**  
12 **make supplemental findings and recommendations to the Legislative Assembly at any time,**  
13 **concerning the use of boards, commissions, task forces and work groups.**

14 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2013 Act is repealed on January 2, 2017.**

15 **SECTION 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
16 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect**  
17 **on its passage.**

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