

Senate Bill 157

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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**.

Establishes Help America Vote Act Task Force. Directs task force to study statewide compliance with Help America Vote Act and report findings and recommendations to Legislative Assembly. Sunsets task force on date of convening of 2015 regular session of Legislative Assembly. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to voting; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Help America Vote Act Task Force is established, consisting of 12**
5 **members as follows:**

6 (a) **Two members from among members of the Senate, including one member from each**
7 **major political party, appointed by the President of the Senate.**

8 (b) **Two members from among members of the House of Representatives, including one**
9 **member from each major political party, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Repre-**
10 **sentatives.**

11 (c) **The Secretary of State, or a representative of the secretary.**

12 (d) **The Director of the Elections Division of the Secretary of State's office.**

13 (e) **Six other members appointed by the Secretary of State, or the secretary's represen-**
14 **tative, including at least three county clerks.**

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

16 (a) **Study and review statewide compliance with the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (P.L.**
17 **107-252); and**

18 (b) **Make recommendations on how to ensure maximum compliance.**

19 (3) **The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to an interim committee**
20 **of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 1, 2014.**

21 (4) **Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting**
22 **members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.**

23 (5) **A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the**
24 **transaction of business.**

25 (6) **Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting**
26 **members of the task force.**

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

28 (8) **If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-**
29 **ment to become immediately effective.**

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

3 **(10) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.**

4 **(11) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall provide staff support to the**
5 **task force.**

6 **(12) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not**
7 **entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other**
8 **expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and**
9 **amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions**
10 **of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Oregon Department of Ad-**
11 **ministrative Services for purposes of the task force.**

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

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

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

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