

Enrolled
Senate Bill 540

Sponsored by Senator DEVLIN; Senators HANSELL, HASS, MONROE, ROBLAN, Representatives
BAILEY, HUFFMAN, JOHNSON

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to public education facilities; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on School Capital Improvement Planning is established.

(2) The task force consists of no more than 12 members appointed by the Governor in consultation with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. All appointments to the task force must be completed within 90 days of the effective date of this 2013 Act.

(3) The members of the task force shall include representatives of education, business, the community and government and at least one expert on capital construction. The members representing education must represent preschool and kindergarten through grade 12 and shall, if more than one member represents kindergarten through grade 12, reflect a diverse range of school district sizes. To the extent practicable, the members must represent a geographic diversity.

(4)(a) The task force shall research and recommend to the Oregon Education Investment Board:

(A) Programs and funding sources that:

(i) Allow providers of public education to respond to evolving methods for delivering education and for funding and maintaining capital infrastructures; and

(ii) Establish a more efficient and integrated capital infrastructure system for preschool through grade 12.

(B) The types and amounts of technical assistance that may be required by public schools for school capital construction programs.

(b) When recommending the capital infrastructure system described in paragraph (a)(A)(ii) of this subsection and the technical assistance described in paragraph (a)(B) of this subsection, the task force shall recommend the appropriate role of the Department of Education in supporting the capital infrastructure system and providing the technical assistance.

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

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

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

(8) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the Governor shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

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

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

(11) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim legislative committees on education no later than October 1, 2014.

(12) The Department of Education shall provide staff support to the task force and shall, if requested by the task force, enter into a contract for staff support with a public or private entity.

(13) 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 of Education for purposes of the task force.

(14) 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.

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

SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$100,000, which may be expended for the task force established by section 1 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 4. (1) The Department of Education shall establish and maintain a public education facility information database as provided by this section.

(2)(a) The database required by this section shall provide information on preschool facilities and facilities serving any grades in kindergarten through grade 12 and any related auxiliary buildings and properties. The department may require school districts and education service districts to provide the following information to the department for inclusion in the database:

(A) The name of the facility;

(B) The square footage of the facility;

(C) The year the facility was built;

(D) The major renovations made to the facility in the preceding 30 years;

(E) The outstanding bonded indebtedness of the school district or education service district;

(F) The year, amount and purpose of the last bond request approved by voters of the school district or education service district;

(G) Operations and maintenance costs of the facility;

(H) Technical upgrades needed for the facility;

(I) Health and safety upgrades needed for the facility;

(J) Energy usage of the facility; and

(K) Other publicly available information about the facility.

(b) In addition to the requirements of paragraph (a) of this subsection, the database required by this section:

(A) Must be accessible by the public; and

(B) May include functions and other options that are available only to the Department of Education and to school districts.

(3) If a school district or education service district is unable to provide any of the information required under subsection (2) of this section from existing data or without acquiring

additional resources, the school district or education service district may request a waiver of the requirement for that information from the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(4) The department may enter into a contract with a public or private entity for the purpose of maintaining the facility information database described in this section.

SECTION 5. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$325,000, which may be expended as follows:

(1) \$100,000 for the purpose of developing the public education facility information database described in section 4 of this 2013 Act or for the purpose of purchasing a database that is substantially similar to the public education facility information database described in section 4 of this 2013 Act; and

(2) \$225,000 for the purpose of maintaining the public education facility information database described in section 4 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 6. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.

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