

# Senate Bill 552

Sponsored by Senator DEVLIN, Representative BUCKLEY

## SUMMARY

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Establishes Task Force on State Budget Process.  
Sunsets on date of convening of 2014 regular session of Legislative Assembly.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to state financial administration; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on the State Budget Process is established. The task**  
5 **force shall consist of:**

6 (a) **The cochairs of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means;**

7 (b) **One member of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate and who is a**  
8 **member of a different political party from the Senate cochair of the joint committee;**

9 (c) **One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House**  
10 **of Representatives and who is a member of a different political party from the House cochair**  
11 **of the joint committee;**

12 (d) **The Legislative Fiscal Officer;**

13 (e) **The Legislative Revenue Officer;**

14 (f) **The director of the Chief Financial Office of the Oregon Department of Administrative**  
15 **Services; and**

16 (g) **The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.**

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

18 (a) **Review existing statutory provisions governing the process of developing the state**  
19 **budget, including but not limited to provisions in ORS chapters 291 and 293;**

20 (b) **Identify current statutory provisions that are outdated, are unnecessary or need**  
21 **modification;**

22 (c) **Identify new provisions that would aid in the development of the state budget; and**

23 (d) **Recommend a comprehensive package of statutory changes that will modernize the**  
24 **process of developing the state budget and help align the state budgeting process with the**  
25 **desired outcomes recommended by the Governor and adopted by the Legislative Assembly.**

26 (3) **A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**  
27 **of business.**

28 (4) **Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**  
29 **of the task force.**

30 (5) **The cochairs of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means shall serve as chairpersons**  
31 **of the task force.**

**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       **(6) If there is a vacancy for any cause in a position appointed by the President of the**  
2 **Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the appointing authority shall make**  
3 **an appointment to become immediately effective.**

4       **(7) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairpersons**  
5 **or of a majority of the members of the task force.**

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

7       **(9) Not later than November 15, 2013, the task force shall submit a report to the Legis-**  
8 **lative Assembly in the manner provided by ORS 192.245.**

9       **(10) The Legislative Administrator shall provide staff support to the task force.**

10       **(11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not**  
11 **entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other**  
12 **expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and**  
13 **amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions**  
14 **of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Legislative Administration**  
15 **Committee for purposes of the task force.**

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

20       **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2013 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the 2014**  
21 **regular session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.**

22       **SECTION 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
23 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2103 Act takes effect**  
24 **on its passage.**

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