SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 768

By COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT, CONSUMER AND SMALL BUSINESS PROTECTION

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1	On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after "government;" delete the rest of the line and line a
2	and insert "and declaring an emergency.".
3	Delete lines 5 through 30 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:
4	"SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Civil Rights Task Force is established in the Bureau of La
5	bor and Industries. The task force shall consist of:
6	"(a) One member from each of the following agencies:
7	"(A) The Department of Justice;
8	"(B) The Employment Department;
9	"(C) The Department of Consumer and Business Services;
LO	"(D) The Bureau of Labor and Industries;
11	"(E) The Department of Human Services;
12	"(F) The Commission on Black Affairs;
13	"(G) The Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs;
4	"(H) The Commission on Hispanic Affairs;
15	"(I) The Commission for Women;
16	"(J) The Oregon Disabilities Commission;
L7	"(K) The Department of Transportation; and
18	"(L) Other state agencies that enter into the intergovernmental agreement described in
19	subsection (13) of this section.
20	"(b) Four members of the public with expertise and experience in discrimination and eq
21	uity issues, one appointed by each of the following:
22	"(A) The Majority Leader of the Senate;
23	"(B) The Minority Leader of the Senate;
24	"(C) The Majority Leader of the House of Representatives; and
25	"(D) The Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
26	"(2) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the trans
27	action of business.
28	"(3) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members
29	of the task force.

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

"(5) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-

"(6) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson

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

ment to become immediately effective.

or of a majority of the members of the task force.

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"(8) The task force shall:

- "(a) Develop guidelines for identifying, avoiding and eliminating discriminatory practices in state government;
- "(b) Share expertise and information related to addressing systemic inequalities in Oregon;
- "(c) Study investigative capabilities and compliance mechanisms currently in place in state agencies to address discrimination and equity issues;
- "(d) Identify opportunities for and obstacles to eliminating compliance with laws relating to discrimination in Oregon;
- "(e) Develop a plan for implementing a coordinated enforcement process for laws relating to discrimination in Oregon and for eliminating inequalities that is efficient, fair and effective both for the public and for the regulatory agencies charged with enforcing those laws; and
- "(f) Take such other action as the member agencies deem appropriate to improve compliance with laws relating to discrimination in Oregon.
- "(9) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor no later than October 1, 2014.
 - "(10) The Bureau of Labor and Industries shall provide staff support to the task force.
- "(11) 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 Bureau of Labor and Industries for purposes of the task force.
- "(12) 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.
- "(13)(a) The agencies identified in subsection (1)(a) of this section shall enter into an intergovernmental agreement for the purpose of coordinating the efforts of the agencies under this section. Any other agency of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, that has an interest in compliance with laws relating to discrimination in Oregon may become a member of the task force by entering into the agreement on such terms as may be prescribed by the agencies identified in subsection (1)(a) of this section.
- "(b) Any agency that is a member of the task force may enter into an agreement with another member agency to provide information to the other agency. Information provided to an agency under this subsection may be used by the agency only for the purpose of enforcing compliance with laws that are administered by the agency.
- "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. 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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