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SUMMARY

Establishes Task Force on 21st Century Apprenticeship with 14 members appointed by President of Senate, Speaker of House of Representatives and Governor. Requires task force to evaluate and make recommendations concerning methods for improving various aspects of apprenticeship in this state.

Sunset December 31, 2016.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to methods for improving apprenticeship; and declaring an emer-
3 gency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on 21st Century Apprenticeship is**
6 **established, consisting of 14 members appointed as follows:**

7 (a) **The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from**
8 **among members of the Senate, ensuring that the appointment in-**
9 **cludes one member from each caucus, and shall designate one of the**
10 **members as a co-chair of the task force.**

11 (b) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two**
12 **members from among members of the House of Representatives, en-**
13 **suring that the appointment includes one member from each caucus,**
14 **and shall designate one of the members as a co-chair of the task force.**

15 (c) **The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of**
16 **Representatives, by mutual agreement, shall appoint eight members**
17 **as follows:**

18 **(A) One member that represents a general contractor that has**

1 performed public contracts for a public agency in this state and that
2 has a collective bargaining agreement with the contractor's employ-
3 ees;

4 (B) One member that represents a general contractor that has
5 performed public contracts for a public agency in this state and that
6 does not have a collective bargaining agreement with the contractor's
7 employees;

8 (C) One member that represents a subcontractor that has per-
9 formed work for a contractor under a public contract in this state and
10 that has a collective bargaining agreement with the subcontractor's
11 employees;

12 (D) One member that represents a subcontractor that has per-
13 formed work for a contractor under a public contract in this state and
14 that does not have a collective bargaining agreement with the
15 subcontractor's employees; and

16 (E) Four members who are representatives of labor organizations
17 or other representatives of persons who are engaged in apprenticeable
18 occupations.

19 (d) The Governor shall appoint two members as follows:

20 (A) One member who is an employee of a state contracting agency;
21 and

22 (B) One member who is an employee of a local contracting agency.

23 (2) The task force shall study, evaluate and make recommendations
24 concerning methods to:

25 (a) Improve pathways from career and technical education to ap-
26 prenticeship;

27 (b) Help to create and maintain preapprenticeship programs for
28 underrepresented and nontraditional populations;

29 (c) Improve relationships between community colleges and union
30 apprenticeship programs;

31 (d) Overcome regional barriers and other barriers to completing

1 **apprenticeship programs;**

2 **(e) Extend an apprenticeship model to additional industries, such**
3 **as manufacturing and health care; and**

4 **(f) Involve the state in expanding and encouraging apprenticeship.**

5 **(3) The task force may consult with experts, hear testimony from**
6 **affected persons and otherwise collect data and information necessary**
7 **to carry out the task force's purposes.**

8 **(4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quo-**
9 **rum for transacting business.**

10 **(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a ma-**
11 **jority of the members of the task force.**

12 **(6)(a) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority**
13 **shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.**

14 **(b) The co-chairs of the task force may expand the task force's**
15 **membership if the co-chairs deem an expansion necessary.**

16 **(7) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the**
17 **call of the co-chairs or of a majority of the members of the task force.**

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

20 **(9) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by**
21 **ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an**
22 **interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to workforce**
23 **development or public contracting as appropriate no later than De-**
24 **cember 30, 2016.**

25 **(10) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legis-**
26 **lative Assembly are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement**
27 **for expenses the members incur in performing the members' official**
28 **duties. Members of the task force who are members of the Legislative**
29 **Assembly shall receive compensation and expenses as provided in ORS**
30 **171.072.**

31 **(11) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are**

1 **directed to assist the task force in the performance of its duties and,**
2 **to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish**
3 **such information and advice as the members of the task force consider**
4 **necessary to perform their duties.**

5 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on December 31,**
6 **2016.**

7 **SECTION 3. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-**
8 **ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-**
9 **clared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.**

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