

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2756

By COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after the semicolon delete the rest of the line and insert
2 “and declaring an emergency.”.

3 Delete lines 4 through 30 and delete pages 2 through 5 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) A task force is established to study the training of direct care staff who**
5 **support individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities. The task force consists of**
6 **32 members as follows:**

7 **“(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among members of the**
8 **Senate.**

9 **“(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among**
10 **members of the House of Representatives.**

11 **“(c) All of the members of the Home Care Commission are appointed to the task force.**

12 **“(d) The Director of Human Services shall appoint the following members:**

13 **“(A) One individual from the developmental disability services program in the Depart-**
14 **ment of Human Services;**

15 **“(B) Two developmental disability services providers;**

16 **“(C) Two direct support professionals;**

17 **“(D) One representative of a support services brokerage;**

18 **“(E) One individual from a community developmental disabilities program;**

19 **“(F) Two foster care providers;**

20 **“(G) One adult who receives developmental disability services;**

21 **“(H) One parent or guardian of an individual under 18 years of age who receives devel-**
22 **opmental disability services;**

23 **“(I) One individual who provides direct care in a crisis and stabilization unit;**

24 **“(J) One individual who provides direct care in a residential training home;**

25 **“(K) One specialist in early intervention services;**

26 **“(L) One special education teacher or an individual representing special education de-**
27 **partment teachers;**

28 **“(M) One educational assistant or a representative of educational assistants;**

29 **“(N) One child care provider or a representative of child care providers;**

30 **“(O) Two members of advocacy organizations that focus on issues affecting individuals**
31 **with intellectual or developmental disabilities; and**

32 **“(P) Two personal support workers or two representatives of personal support workers.**

33 **“(2) The task force shall develop recommendations for a competency-based training and**
34 **credentialing curriculum to ensure that direct care staff have the training to be competent**
35 **support professionals so that this state is fully prepared to meet the direct care needs of**

1 **Oregonians with intellectual or developmental disabilities.**

2 **“(3) The task force shall:**

3 **“(a) Examine and recommend competency-based training and credentialing tools available**
4 **in this state and nationally that are designed to recruit and retain direct care workers and**
5 **provide a professional career path;**

6 **“(b) Compare evidence-based training modules to the current support professional core**
7 **competencies established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and this state;**

8 **“(c) Utilize current research from the National Direct Service Workforce Resource Cen-**
9 **ter;**

10 **“(d) Examine and recommend training and credentialing tools that address the support**
11 **needs of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities throughout their lifetimes;**
12 **and**

13 **“(e) Examine and recommend training or credentialing tools that broadly address all as-**
14 **pects of the support needs of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities in-**
15 **cluding, but not limited to:**

16 **“(A) The ethical aspects of support services;**

17 **“(B) Supporting children with disabilities;**

18 **“(C) Supporting seniors with disabilities;**

19 **“(D) Employment of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities;**

20 **“(E) Inclusion and integration into the community of individuals with intellectual or de-**
21 **velopmental disabilities;**

22 **“(F) The personal care needs of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities;**
23 **and**

24 **“(G) The mental health needs of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabili-**
25 **ties.**

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

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

30 **“(6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.**

31 **“(7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-**
32 **ment to become immediately effective.**

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

35 **“(9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.**

36 **“(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and**
37 **may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative**
38 **Assembly related to human services as appropriate no later than December 1, 2015.**

39 **“(11) The Department of Human Services shall provide staff support to the task force.**

40 **“(12) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are**
41 **not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and**
42 **other expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner**
43 **and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing func-**
44 **tions of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Department of Human**
45 **Services for purposes of the task force.**

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

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

6 “SECTION 3. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
7 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect
8 on its passage.”

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