

# House Bill 2923

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

## SUMMARY

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Establishes task force to study employee compensation in Oregon and to make recommendations for legislation regarding employee compensation in this state. Requires task force to submit recommendations to Legislative Assembly by March 1, 2016.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to employee compensation; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Employee Compensation in Oregon is established.**

5 **(2) The task force consists of nine members appointed as follows:**

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

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

10 **(c) The Governor shall appoint seven members, three of whom shall represent employees**  
11 **in this state, three of whom shall represent employers in Oregon and one of whom shall**  
12 **represent the interests of the public.**

13 **(3) The task force shall collect and synthesize information about employee compensation**  
14 **in this state. The task force shall also make recommendations regarding legislation neces-**  
15 **sary for the maximization of employee compensation in this state.**

16 **(4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**  
17 **of business.**

18 **(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**  
19 **of the task force.**

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

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

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

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

26 **(10) The task force shall submit a report on the recommendations described in subsection**  
27 **(3) of this section to the regular session committees of the Legislative Assembly related to**  
28 **workforce, business or labor no later than March 1, 2016.**

29 **(11) The Bureau of Labor and Industries shall provide staff support to the task force.**

30 **(12) Notwithstanding ORS 171.072, members of the task force who are members of the**

**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 **Legislative Assembly are not entitled to mileage expenses or a per diem and serve as volun-**  
2 **teers on the task force. Other members of the task force are not entitled to compensation**  
3 **or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.**

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

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

9 **SECTION 3. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
10 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect**  
11 **on its passage.**

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