

# Senate Bill 405

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## SUMMARY

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Creates Task Force on Juvenile Court Records.  
Sunsets on date of convening of 2017 regular session of Legislative Assembly.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to juvenile court records; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Juvenile Court Records is established, consisting of**  
5 **seven members appointed as follows:**

6 (a) **The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall appoint two members representing the**  
7 **Judicial Department with expertise in juvenile court proceedings, at least one of whom shall**  
8 **be a circuit court judge.**

9 (b) **The Attorney General shall appoint two members as follows:**

10 (A) **One member representing the Department of Justice with expertise in juvenile court**  
11 **proceedings; and**

12 (B) **One member representing the Oregon District Attorneys Association with expertise**  
13 **in juvenile court proceedings.**

14 (c) **The Board of Governors of the Oregon State Bar shall appoint two members who are**  
15 **members of the Oregon State Bar with expertise representing parents and children in juve-**  
16 **nile court proceedings.**

17 (d) **The Director of Human Services shall appoint one member representing the Depart-**  
18 **ment of Human Services with expertise in the area of child welfare.**

19 (2) **The task force shall examine Oregon's juvenile court dependency and justice systems**  
20 **for the purpose of identifying changes to existing law that could be made to improve how**  
21 **records are maintained and accessed within the systems by courts, attorneys, agency rep-**  
22 **resentatives, service providers and others, including changes to existing confidentiality re-**  
23 **quirements with respect to such records.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

4       (9) The task force shall make a report, and may include recommendations for legislation,  
5 to interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to juvenile court dependency and  
6 justice proceedings no later than September 15, 2016.

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

8       (11) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed  
9 for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of  
10 their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for ex-  
11 penses incurred in performing functions of the task force shall be paid out of funds appro-  
12 priated to the Legislative Administrator for purposes of the task force.

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

17       SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the 2017  
18 regular session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.

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