78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY--2015 Regular Session

Minority Report

A-Engrossed Senate Bill 75

Ordered by the Senate June 29 Including Senate Minority Report Amendments dated June 29

Sponsored by nonconcurring members of the Senate Committee on Rules: Senators BOQUIST, FERRIOLI

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Sets limits on amounts that may be contributed to political candidates and political committees. Provides for civil penalties. Becomes operative July 1, 2017.] [Takes effect only if Senate Joint Resolution 5 (2015) is approved by people at regular general

[Takes effect only if Senate Joint Resolution 5 (2015) is approved by people at regular general election held in November 2016. Takes effect on effective date of constitutional amendment proposed by Senate Joint Resolution 5 (2015).]

Establishes Task Force on Campaign Finance Reform to conduct analysis and determine best method to address campaign finance reforms.

Requires task force to submit report on recommendations to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to rules by December 31, 2015.

Sunsets July 2, 2017.

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Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to campaign finance; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Task Force on Campaign Finance Reform is established, consisting

5 of eight voting members and one nonvoting member as follows:

6 (a) The Secretary of State shall appoint the following voting members:

7 (A) Three members, appointed so that one member represents the interests of each of

8 the three major political parties in Oregon.

9 (B) One member to represent the interests of minor political parties in Oregon.

10 (b) The Secretary of State shall serve as a nonvoting member of the task force.

(c) The President of the Senate shall appoint one voting member from among members
 of the Senate.

(d) The Senate Minority Leader shall appoint one voting member from among members
 of the Senate.

(e) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one voting member from
 among members of the House of Representatives.

(f) The House Minority Leader shall appoint one voting member from among members
 of the House of Representatives.

(2) The task force shall conduct an analysis and determine the best method or methods
 to address campaign finance reforms.

21 (3) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the

1 transaction of business.

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2 (4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting 3 members of the task force.

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

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

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

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

(9) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may
 include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules no later than December 31, 2015.

(10) The staff of the Committee Services Office of the Legislative Administration Com mittee shall provide staff support to the task force.

(11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly 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 incurred in performing functions of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly 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.

25 <u>SECTION 2.</u> Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on July 2, 2017.

26 <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 27 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect 28 on its passage.

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