

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 3500**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after the first semicolon delete the
2 rest of the line.

3 In line 3, delete “254.370 and 254.470;”.

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

5 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Expanding Access to More
6 Voters in Primary Elections is established, consisting of 13 members
7 as follows:**

8 **“(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint:**

9 **“(A) One member from the majority party in the Senate.**

10 **“(B) One member from the minority party in the Senate.**

11 **“(C) One member to represent the interests of major political par-
12 ties in Oregon.**

13 **“(D) One member to represent the interests of minor political par-
14 ties in Oregon.**

15 **“(E) One member to represent the interests of the Oregon Associ-
16 ation of County Clerks.**

17 **“(F) One member to represent the interests of the League of
18 Women Voters of Oregon.**

19 **“(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint:**

20 **“(A) One member from the majority party in the House of Repre-
21 sentatives.**

22 **“(B) One member from the minority party in the House of Repre-**

1 **sentatives.**

2 **“(C) One member to represent the interests of major political par-**
3 **ties in Oregon.**

4 **“(D) One member to represent the interests of minor political par-**
5 **ties in Oregon.**

6 **“(E) One member to represent the interests of nonpartisan organ-**
7 **izations dedicated to increasing voter registration in Oregon.**

8 **“(F) One member to represent the interests of electors in Oregon.**

9 **“(c) The Secretary of State, or the secretary’s designee, shall serve**
10 **as a member.**

11 **“(2) The task force shall conduct an analysis and determine the best**
12 **method or methods for establishing open primary elections in Oregon.**

13 **“(3) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a**
14 **quorum for the transaction of business.**

15 **“(4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a**
16 **majority of the members of the task force.**

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

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

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

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

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

30 **“(10) The staff of the Committee Services office of the Legislative**

1 Administration Committee shall provide staff support to the task
2 force.

3 “(11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Leg-
4 islative Assembly are not entitled to compensation, but may be reim-
5 bursed for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by
6 them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and
7 amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in
8 performing functions of the task force shall be paid out of funds ap-
9 propriated to the Legislative Assembly for purposes of the task force.

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

15 “SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on December 31,
16 2016.

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

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