

House Bill 4116

Sponsored by Representative WEIDNER (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

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Establishes Task Force on County Jail Inmate Health Care Coverage. Specifies membership and duties. Requires report to interim committees of Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2016.
Sunsets December 31, 2016.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to health care for county jail inmates; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on County Jail Inmate Health Care Coverage is estab-**
5 **lished.**

6 **(2) The task force consists of 14 members appointed as follows:**

7 **(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint from among members of the Senate one**
8 **member from the Democratic party and one member from the Republican party.**

9 **(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint from among members of**
10 **the House of Representatives one member from the Democratic party and one member from**
11 **the Republican party.**

12 **(c) The Governor shall appoint:**

13 **(A) One member representing the Governor;**

14 **(B) One member representing an association of district attorneys;**

15 **(C) One member representing an association of community mental health program di-**
16 **rectors;**

17 **(D) One member representing a sheriffs' association;**

18 **(E) One member representing the Oregon Health Authority;**

19 **(F) One member representing an association of Oregon counties;**

20 **(G) One county commissioner;**

21 **(H) One circuit court judge;**

22 **(I) One member representing an association of community corrections directors; and**

23 **(J) One member representing an association of criminal defense attorneys.**

24 **(3) The task force shall:**

25 **(a) Investigate the financial and procedural concerns of the individuals and organizations**
26 **represented by the task force members with respect to physical and mental health care**
27 **services for inmates of county jails; and**

28 **(b) Develop recommendations to present to the 2017 regular session of the Legislative**
29 **Assembly to:**

30 **(A) Improve the health care services provided to inmates of county jails while reducing**

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 the costs of health care services for county jails, sheriff departments and the Oregon Health
2 Authority;

3 (B) Improve communications between state and county agencies; and

4 (C) Make more efficient the use of state funds for inmate health care services.

5 (4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the
6 transaction of business.

7 (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting
8 members of the task force.

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

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

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

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

15 (10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and
16 may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative
17 Assembly related to health and corrections no later than September 15, 2016.

18 (11) The Legislative Administration Committee shall provide staff support to the task
19 force.

20 (12) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not
21 entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other
22 expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and
23 amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions
24 of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Legislative Administration
25 Committee for purposes of the task force.

26 (13) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist
27 the task force in the performance of the task force's duties and, to the extent permitted by
28 laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the task
29 force consider necessary to perform their duties.

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

31 **SECTION 3.** This 2016 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
32 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2016 Act takes effect
33 on its passage.

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