

House Bill 2431

Sponsored by Representative PARRISH (Presession filed.)

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 **as introduced**.

Establishes Task Force on Voter Inactivation and Voter Registration Maintenance. Directs task force to study how to prevent erroneous voter registration inactivation and improve accuracy of voter registration information maintenance. Requires task force to report to appropriate joint interim committee of Legislative Assembly.

Sunsets task force on date of convening of 2018 regular session of Legislative Assembly.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to voting integrity; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Voter Inactivation and Voter Registration Maintenance is established, consisting of nine members as follows:**

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

8 (b) **The Senate Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**
9 **Senate.**

10 (c) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among**
11 **members of the House of Representatives.**

12 (d) **The House Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**
13 **House of Representatives.**

14 (e) **The Governor shall appoint:**

15 (A) **One citizen member from a rural community; and**

16 (B) **Three citizen members from the population at large.**

17 (f) **The Secretary of State or the secretary's designee.**

18 (2) **The task force shall study how to:**

19 (a) **Prevent the inadvertent or incorrect designation of an elector's voter registration as**
20 **inactive; and**

21 (b) **Increase the accuracy of the registration information maintained for each elector.**

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

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

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

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

29 (7) **The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson**

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 or of a majority of the members of the task force.

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

3 (9) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may
4 include recommendations for legislation, to a joint interim committee of the Legislative As-
5 sembly related to elections no later than September 15, 2017.

6 (10) The Secretary of State shall provide staff support to the task force.

7 (11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not
8 entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task
9 force.

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

14 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the 2018
15 regular session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.

16 SECTION 3. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
17 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect
18 on its passage.

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