

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2657

Ordered by the House March 27
Including House Amendments dated March 27

Sponsored by Representative DOHERTY; Representative HERNANDEZ (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.

Directs Youth Development Council to develop statewide plan to provide out-of-school youth with opportunities to become reengaged and to succeed in education or workforce.

Establishes Task Force on [*Out-of-School*] Youth **Reengagement for purpose of providing input on development of plan.** Requires task force to submit report to interim legislative committees related to education no later than September 15, 2018.

Sunsets task force on December 31, 2018.

[*Declares emergency, effective on passage.*]

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to out-of-school youth; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Youth Development Council shall develop a statewide plan to provide**
5 **out-of-school youth with opportunities to become reengaged and to succeed in education or**
6 **the workforce.**

7 **(2) The plan must:**

8 **(a) Establish multiple pathways for out-of-school youth to become reengaged and to**
9 **succeed in education or the workforce;**

10 **(b) Allow variations in reengagement efforts to support the unique strengths of each re-**
11 **gion of this state; and**

12 **(c) Establish an accountability framework that allows for the determination of whether**
13 **reengagement efforts are being successful.**

14 **(3) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the**
15 **Youth Development Council in fulfilling the purposes of the plan, including furnishing infor-**
16 **mation and advice to members of the council to the extent allowed by laws relating to**
17 **confidentiality.**

18 **SECTION 2. (1) The Task Force on Youth Reengagement is established for the purpose**
19 **of providing input on the development of the plan described in section 1 of this 2017 Act.**

20 **(2) The task force consists of members appointed by the Youth Development Director.**
21 **The members must include:**

22 **(a) Representatives of the Department of Education;**

23 **(b) Representatives of the Higher Education Coordinating Commission;**

24 **(c) Representatives of the Employment Department;**

25 **(d) Representatives of the Department of Human Services;**

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 (e) Representatives of the Oregon Health Authority;
- 2 (f) Representatives of the Youth Development Division;
- 3 (g) Representatives of education stakeholders;
- 4 (h) Representatives of workforce stakeholders;
- 5 (i) Representatives of community organizations related to education or the workforce;

6 and

7 (j) Any other representatives that the Youth Development Council determines has ex-
8 pertise that are relevant to the plan.

9 (3) The task force shall:

10 (a) Consult with experts throughout the state to gather information about methods for
11 providing out-of-school youth with opportunities to become reengaged and to succeed in ed-
12 ucation or the workforce;

13 (b) Evaluate state policies and procedures that may have the unintended consequence of
14 providing disincentives for out-of-school youth to become reengaged and to succeed in edu-
15 cation or the workforce;

16 (c) Analyze reengagement systems throughout the country to identify successful systems
17 for providing out-of-school youth with opportunities to become reengaged and to succeed in
18 education or the workforce and consult with leaders in the national reengagement movement
19 for successful methods; and

20 (d) Identify approaches, models and pathways that provide out-of-school youth with op-
21 portunities to become reengaged and to succeed in education or the workforce and that are
22 compatible with this state's education and workforce systems.

23 (4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction
24 of business.

25 (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members
26 of the task force.

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

28 (7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the Youth Development Director shall make an
29 appointment to become immediately effective.

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

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

33 (10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and
34 may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative
35 Assembly related to education no later than September 15, 2018.

36 (11) The Youth Development Division shall provide staff support to the task force.

37 (12) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for
38 expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

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

43 **SECTION 3.** Section 2 of this 2017 Act is repealed on December 31, 2018.

44 **SECTION 4.** This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2017
45 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

