

House Bill 2965

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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 Workforce Development for People with Disabilities.
Sunsets December 31, 2020.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to workforce development for people with disabilities; and declaring emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Workforce Development for People with Disabilities**
5 **is established, consisting of nine members appointed as follows:**

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 the members of**
9 **the 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 Oregon Disabilities Commission shall appoint five members with demonstrated**
15 **experience in workforce development for people with disabilities.**

16 (2) **The task force shall:**

17 (a) **Review the report issued by the Council of State Governments and National Confer-**
18 **ence of State Legislatures entitled "Work Matters: A Framework for States on Workforce**
19 **Development for People with Disabilities";**

20 (b) **Evaluate Oregon's programs related to employing people with disabilities for ade-**
21 **quacy, outcomes and overall financial effectiveness;**

22 (c) **Report findings and make recommendations to the Senate Committee on Workforce**
23 **and the House Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development; and**

24 (d) **Meet as soon as practicable after the effective date of this 2017 Act to work on leg-**
25 **islative concepts for the 2018 and 2019 regular sessions of the Legislative Assembly.**

26 (3) **Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting**
27 **members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.**

28 (4) **A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the**
29 **transaction of business.**

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

31 (6) **Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting**

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 **members of the task force.**

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

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

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

7 **(10) The task force may pre-session file legislation in the manner provided in ORS 171.130**
8 **for interim committees. All legislation recommended by official action of the task force must**
9 **indicate that it is introduced at the request of the task force.**

10 **(11) The task force shall report to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided in**
11 **ORS 192.245 at any time within 30 days after its final meeting or at such later time as the**
12 **President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives may designate.**

13 **(12) The Oregon Disabilities Commission, under the direction of the Director of the De-**
14 **partment of Consumer and Business Services, shall provide staff support to the task force.**

15 **(13) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not**
16 **entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task**
17 **force.**

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

22 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on December 31, 2020.**

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

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