## A-Engrossed Senate Bill 129

Ordered by the Senate April 12 Including Senate Amendments dated April 12

Sponsored by Senators RILEY, MANNING JR, OLSEN (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.

[Establishes Task Force on Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder in Oregon. Directs task force to study and make recommendations for diagnosis and treatment of Oregonians with post-traumatic stress disorder, particularly veterans, and to identify funding sources. Directs task force to report to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to health care and veterans by September 15, 2018.]

[Sunsets task force on December 31, 2018.] [Declares emergency, effective on passage.]

Directs Advisory Committee to review, consider and report to interim legislative committees relating to veterans no later than February 1, 2018, regarding establishing task force on post-traumatic stress disorder.

Sunsets December 31, 2018.

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22 23 Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to a task force on post-traumatic stress disorder; and prescribing an effective date.
- Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
  - <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) No later than February 1, 2018, the Advisory Committee appointed under ORS 406.210 shall review, consider and report to the interim legislative committees relating to veterans regarding establishing a task force on post-traumatic stress disorder.
  - (2) The Advisory Committee shall evaluate the benefits of empowering the task force to make recommendations for the diagnosis and treatment of Oregonians with post-traumatic stress disorder, particularly veterans, and identify funding sources for statewide efforts to improve the diagnosis and treatment of persons with post-traumatic stress disorder in this state.
  - (3) The Advisory Committee shall evaluate the possible composition of the task force, including members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, representatives of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the Oregon Health Authority, the Department of Human Services, medical professionals and licensed social workers with expertise in the treatment of persons diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder, members or veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States who have been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder and community stakeholders with an interest in the diagnosis and treatment of community members with post-traumatic stress disorder.
  - (4) The Advisory Committee shall evaluate the merits of establishing such a task force and the likelihood that the task force will enhance the diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder in this state, particularly as the disorder relates to veterans. The Advisory Committee's report must address funding priorities for the task force's implemen-

- tation and make recommendations for legislation on establishing the task force.

  SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on December 31, 2018.
- 3 SECTION 3. This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2017

 $4\,\,$  regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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