

Enrolled
Senate Bill 689

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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to the Task Force on Reentry, Employment and Housing; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly to recreate the Task Force on Reentry, Employment and Housing, established on August 12, 2015, by section 1, chapter 848, Oregon Laws 2015, and repealed on December 31, 2016, so that the task force may complete its work as set forth in section 1, chapter 848, Oregon Laws 2015.

SECTION 2. (1) The Task Force on Reentry, Employment and Housing is established, consisting of 20 members appointed as follows:

(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the Senate, one from the majority party and one from the minority party.

(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among members of the House of Representatives, one from the majority party and one from the minority party.

(c) The Governor shall appoint 16 members as follows:

(A) One member to represent the office of the Governor.

(B) One member to represent the Employment Department.

(C) One member to represent community colleges.

(D) One member to represent the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission.

(E) One member to represent housing and community development.

(F) One member to represent parole and probation personnel.

(G) One member to represent counties.

(H) One member to represent building trades.

(I) One member to represent Oregon businesses.

(J) One member to represent housing advocates.

(K) One member to represent reentry advocates.

(L) One member who is female and who has had the experience of reentry into nonincarcerated daily living.

(M) One member who is male and who has had the experience of reentry into nonincarcerated daily living.

(N) One member to represent the Department of Corrections.

(O) One member to represent law enforcement.

(P) One member to represent the Oregon District Attorneys Association.

(2) The task force shall study and recommend methods and actions that the state and local governments may reasonably undertake to:

(a) Improve the experience of reentry into nonincarcerated daily living for persons with a criminal conviction;

(b) Expand employment opportunities for persons with a criminal conviction;

(c) Assist with identifying and providing housing opportunities for persons with a criminal conviction; and

(d) Create certificates and a certification process for persons with a criminal conviction.

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

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

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

(6) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

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

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

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

(10) The Legislative Policy and Research Director shall provide staff support to the task force.

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

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

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

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

SECTION 4. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.

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Lori L. Brocker, Secretary of Senate

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

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