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 periodic sunset review of state boards, commissions, committees, task forces and other executive department entities that meet certain criteria. Requires Legislative Policy and Research Director to establish roster and schedule of entities for periodic sunset review. Requires listed entities with periodic sunset review scheduled for next odd-numbered year regular session of Legislative Assembly to provide specified information, and requires director to compile and present information to committees and facilitate committee undertaking periodic sunset review.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to periodic sunset review of state government entities; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. The Legislative Assembly finds and declares that periodic sunset review of state boards, commissions, committees, task forces and other entities created by statute is necessary to ensure that these entities continue to serve identified public needs in an efficient and effective manner. In lieu of establishing repeal dates in law for entities listed on the roster described in section 2 of this 2018 Act, the policy of the Legislative Assembly is to conduct periodic sunset review of the entities and legislatively abolish those entities that no longer serve public needs in an efficient and effective manner.

SECTION 2. (1) Each board, commission, committee, task force or other entity that meets the following criteria is subject to periodic sunset review described in this section:

(a) Is a part of the executive department, as defined in ORS 174.112;
(b) Consists of a decision-making body of two or more individuals and any other staff as is appointed by the decision-making body or by one or more delegates of the decision-making body;
(c) Is established by statute;
(d) Is directed by statute to make decisions or recommendations concerning some aspect of state government; and
(e) Has a continuing existence or a history of existence for at least six years as of the date the entity is placed on the roster of periodic sunset review described in subsection (2) of this section.

(2) The Legislative Policy and Research Director, after consultation with the Office of the Governor, shall maintain a roster of entities described in subsection (1) of this section and shall update the roster as the Legislative Assembly establishes or abolishes entities that meet the criteria set forth in subsection (1) of this section. For each entity listed on the roster, the director shall establish a session for periodic sunset review that:

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.
(a) Is an odd-numbered year regular session of the Legislative Assembly; and
(b) Ensures that each entity listed on the roster be subject to periodic sunset review at least once within _____ years of being listed on the roster and thereafter in _____ intervals for the duration of the time that the entity is listed on the roster.

(3) An entity that appears on the roster as scheduled for periodic sunset review in the next odd-numbered year regular session shall, on or before October 1 of the even-numbered year preceding the session, provide the director with the following information:
   (a) The purposes, goals and mission of the entity;
   (b) The timeline for achieving the purposes, goals and mission of the entity;
   (c) Measures of the effectiveness of the entity in achieving its purposes, goals and mission, and the methodologies and techniques used to measure effectiveness;
   (d) The benefits to the public of continuing the existence and operations of the entity;
   (e) The benefits to the public of abolishing the entity;
   (f) The administrative and compliance costs of the entity; and
   (g) Any other information the entity decides will assist the committee in making the legislative determination described in subsection (5) of this section.

(4) For each entity, the director shall compile the information into a report and present the report to a committee of the Legislative Assembly that has appropriate subject matter jurisdiction to make a determination on the public need, effectiveness and efficiency of the entity. The director shall strive to achieve balance between Senate and House committees that are presented with reports. The director shall present reports to committees on or before December 31 of the even-numbered year preceding a regular session at which periodic sunset review is to be conducted.

(5) A committee that receives a report from the director under subsection (4) of this section may conduct a periodic sunset review of the entity to determine the public need, effectiveness and efficiency of the entity. The committee may report out of committee a legislative measure that abolishes the entity, that establishes a future sunset date for the entity or that proposes any other action the committee determines appropriate.

(6) The director, the entity and all other instrumentalities of state government shall assist the committee in completing its work.

SECTION 3. This 2018 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2018 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.