

House Bill 2973

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SUMMARY

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Increases terms of office of advocacy commission members, from three to four years. Applies to terms of office beginning on or after effective date of Act.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to advocacy commissioner terms; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 185.130,
3 185.320, 185.420, 185.520 and 185.610.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 185.130 is amended to read:

6 185.130. (1) The Oregon Disabilities Commission is created within the Department of Human
7 Services. The commission consists of 15 members appointed by the Governor for not more than two
8 consecutive [*three-year*] **four-year** terms.

9 (2) Prior to making appointments, the Governor shall request and consider recommendations
10 from advocate self-help groups and other interested public and private agencies.

11 (3) The membership of the commission shall be composed of members broadly representative of
12 major public and private agencies who are experienced in or have demonstrated particular interest
13 in the special needs of individuals with disabilities and consumers. Appointments shall be made with
14 considerations given to geographic representation and a majority shall be individuals with disabili-
15 ties as defined in ORS 185.110 (3).

16 **SECTION 2.** ORS 185.320 is amended to read:

17 185.320. (1) The Commission on Hispanic Affairs shall be comprised of 11 members, to include
18 two representatives from the Legislative Assembly, one appointed by the President of the Senate,
19 one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Nine members shall be appointed by
20 the Governor and confirmed by the Senate pursuant to section 4, Article III, Oregon Constitution.
21 To the extent possible, members appointed by the Governor shall provide for representation from
22 all areas of the state. All of the members of the commission shall be residents of this state.

23 (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve [*three-year*] **four-year** terms. Legislators
24 shall serve two-year terms.

25 (3) The commission members shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson.

26 (4) A majority of the members of the commission constitute a quorum for the transaction of
27 business.

28 (5) Appointments to the commission shall be made to ensure representation of Hispanics in
29 Oregon.

30 (6) Members of the commission who are not legislators shall be paid compensation and expenses
31 as provided in ORS 292.495 from funds appropriated to the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office.

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 (7) Members of the commission who are legislators shall be paid compensation and expense re-
2 imbursement as provided in ORS 171.072, payable from funds appropriated to the Legislative As-
3 sembly.

4 **SECTION 3.** ORS 185.420 is amended to read:

5 185.420. (1) The Commission on Black Affairs shall be comprised of 11 members, to include two
6 representatives from the Legislative Assembly, one appointed by the President of the Senate, one
7 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Nine members shall be appointed by the
8 Governor and confirmed by the Senate pursuant to section 4, Article III, Oregon Constitution. To
9 the extent possible, members appointed by the Governor shall provide for representation from all
10 areas of the state. All of the members of the commission shall be residents of this state.

11 (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve [*three-year*] **four-year** terms. Legislators
12 shall serve two-year terms.

13 (3) The commission members shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson.

14 (4) A majority of the members of the commission constitute a quorum for the transaction of
15 business.

16 (5) Appointments to the commission shall be made to ensure representation of blacks in Oregon.

17 (6) Members of the commission who are not legislators shall be paid compensation and expenses
18 as provided in ORS 292.495 from funds appropriated to the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office.

19 (7) Members of the commission who are legislators shall be paid compensation and expense re-
20 imbursement as provided in ORS 171.072, payable from funds appropriated to the Legislative As-
21 sembly.

22 **SECTION 4.** ORS 185.520 is amended to read:

23 185.520. (1) The membership of the Commission for Women shall be comprised of 11 members,
24 to include two representatives from the Legislative Assembly, one appointed by the President of the
25 Senate, one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Nine members shall be ap-
26 pointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate pursuant to section 4, Article III, Oregon
27 Constitution. To the extent possible, members appointed by the Governor shall provide for repre-
28 sentation from all areas of the state. All of the members of the commission shall be residents of this
29 state.

30 (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve for [*three-year*] **four-year** terms. Legislators
31 shall serve two-year terms.

32 (3) The commission members shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson for terms of one
33 year and shall determine the duties of the officers.

34 (4) Members shall meet at the call of the chairperson not less than three times annually.

35 (5) Consistent with Oregon law, the commission may receive and accept funds for purposes
36 consistent with the creation of the commission.

37 **SECTION 5.** ORS 185.610 is amended to read:

38 185.610. (1) The Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs is created. The commission
39 has 11 members. Nine of the 11 members shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation
40 by the Senate under ORS 171.562 and 171.565. The President of the Senate shall appoint one Senator
41 as a member of the commission, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one
42 Representative as a member of the commission. To the extent possible, members appointed by the
43 Governor shall provide for representation from all areas of the state. All of the members of the
44 commission shall be residents of this state.

45 (2) The term of office is [*three*] **four** years. Appointments to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term

1 shall be made by the person who made the original appointment.

2 (3) The commission shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson for a term of one year and
3 shall determine the duties of the officers.

4 (4) A majority of the members of the commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of
5 business.

6 (5)(a) Appointments to the commission shall be made to ensure ethnic representation of Asian
7 and Pacific Islander Americans in Oregon.

8 (b) For the purpose of this subsection, "Asian and Pacific Islander Americans" has the meaning
9 given that term in ORS 185.620.

10 (6) Members of the commission who are not legislators shall be paid compensation and expenses
11 as provided in ORS 292.495 from funds appropriated to the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office.

12 (7) Members of the commission who are legislators shall be paid compensation and expense re-
13 imbursement as provided in ORS 171.072, payable from funds appropriated to the Legislative As-
14 sembly.

15 **SECTION 6. The amendments to ORS 185.130, 185.320, 185.420, 185.520 and 185.610 by**
16 **sections 1 to 5 of this 2019 Act apply to terms beginning on or after the effective date of this**
17 **2019 Act.**

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