

# House Bill 3441

Sponsored by Representative RAYFIELD

## 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 Automatic Voter Registration. Directs task force to study and develop recommendations to maximize voter registration in this state.

Sunsets on December 31, 2020.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to maximizing voter registration; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Automatic Voter Registration is established.**

5 **(2) The task force consists 11 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 Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among**  
9 **members of the House of Representatives.**

10 **(c) The Governor shall appoint seven nonlegislator members who are not employed by**  
11 **an agency of this state with expertise in one or more of the following:**

12 **(A) Voter registration;**

13 **(B) Voter access; or**

14 **(C) Working in communities that are underserved or marginalized.**

15 **(d) The Secretary of State, or designated representative, shall serve as a nonvoting**  
16 **member.**

17 **(e) The State Chief Information Officer, or designated representative, shall serve as a**  
18 **nonvoting member.**

19 **(3) The task force shall:**

20 **(a) Study and develop recommendations to improve and expand automatic voter regis-**  
21 **tration of eligible voters in this state.**

22 **(b) Identify, in collaboration with the Governor's office, which state agencies collect data,**  
23 **including an individual's legal name, date of birth, past or current residence, citizenship,**  
24 **Social Security number or signature.**

25 **(c) Identify, in collaboration with the Governor's office, which state agencies have the**  
26 **technological capability to process new or updated voter registration application forms.**

27 **(d) Evaluate, in collaboration with the Secretary of State, the feasibility of a data-**  
28 **transfer system to share across state agencies information, including an individual's legal**  
29 **name, age, past or current residence, citizenship, Social Security number and signature.**

30 **(4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the**

**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 **transaction of business.**

2 (5) **Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting**  
3 **members of the task force.**

4 (6) **The Governor shall elect one of the members of the task force to serve as chair-**  
5 **person.**

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

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

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

11 (10) **The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and**  
12 **may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative**  
13 **Assembly related to elections no later than December 15, 2019.**

14 (11) **The Governor's office shall provide staff support to the task force.**

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

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

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

24 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2019 Act is repealed on December 31, 2020.**

25 **SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
26 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**  
27 **on its passage.**

28