House Bill 2766

Sponsored by Representative SMITH DB (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 as introduced.

Establishes Task Force on Use of Surplus Public Lands for Housing. Requires task force to report findings and recommendations to interim committee of Legislative Assembly related to housing on or before December 31, 2021.
Sunsets task force December 31, 2022.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to use of surplus public lands; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Use of Surplus Public Lands for Housing is established.

(2) The task force consists of 14 members appointed as follows:

(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among members of the Senate.

(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among members of the House of Representatives.

(c) The Director of the Department of Land Conservation and Development shall appoint one member to represent the Department of Land Conservation and Development.

(d) The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall appoint one member to represent the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.

(e) The Construction Contractors Board shall appoint one member to represent housing developers.

(f) The Director of the Housing and Community Services Department shall appoint:

(A) One member to represent the Housing and Community Services Department;

(B) One member to represent local housing authorities; and

(C) One member to represent nonprofit affordable housing developers.

(g) The Governor shall appoint:

(A) One member to represent county governments;

(B) One member to represent city governments; and

(C) One member to represent federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon.

(h) The Director of Transportation shall appoint one member to represent the Department of Transportation.

(i) The Director of the Department of State Lands shall appoint one member to represent the Department of State Lands.

(j) The State Parks and Recreation Director shall appoint one member to represent the State Parks and Recreation Department.

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.

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(3) The task force shall study the sale and use of surplus public lands to address housing shortages throughout this state.

(4) The task force may consult with experts, hear testimony from affected persons and collect data and information necessary to carry out the task force's duties.

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

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

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

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

(9) 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.

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

(11) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to housing no later than December 31, 2021.

(12) The Department of State Lands shall provide staff support to the task force.

(13) 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.

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

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on December 31, 2022.

SECTION 3. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.