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 Digital Rights. Sets forth duties of task force. Requires task force to submit report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly related to business development no later than September 15, 2022.
Sunsets December 31, 2022.
Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to digital rights; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Digital Rights is established.
(2) The task force consists of 11 members appointed as follows:
   (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the Senate.
   (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among members of the House of Representatives.
   (c) The Director of the Oregon Business Development Department, in consultation with the Oregon Broadband Office, shall appoint seven members as follows:
      (A) One member who represents rural communities;
      (B) One member who represents people with limited access to broadband;
      (C) One member who represents advocates for broadband;
      (D) One member who represents people who work with culturally specific communities;
      (E) One member with technical expertise on broadband and digital access;
      (F) One member who represents the Association of Oregon Counties; and
      (G) One member who represents the League of Oregon Cities.
   (3) The task force shall develop an initial Digital Equity and Inclusion Plan for Oregonians. The plan must provide a five-year vision and strategic plan for ensuring that all Oregonians have access to digital infrastructure, digital literacy, digital services and data governance.
   (4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
   (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting members of the task force.
   (6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
   (7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.
   (8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson.

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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or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.

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

(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to business development no later than September 15, 2022.

(11) The Oregon Business Development Department shall provide staff support to the task force.

(12) 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.

(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 duties of the task force 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 takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.