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SUMMARY

Digest: The Act creates the Ireland Trade Commission. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.7).

Establishes the Ireland Trade Commission.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Ireland Trade Commission; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Ireland Trade Commission is established.

(2) The commission consists of at least seven but no more than nine 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.

(c) The Governor shall appoint at least five but no more than seven members, including:

(A) At least one member representing an institution of higher education; and

(B) At least one member representing a statewide trade organization.

(3) The commission shall:

(a) Advance bilateral trade and investment between Oregon and Ireland;

(b) Initiate joint action on policy issues of mutual interest to

1 **Oregon and Ireland;**

2 **(c) Promote business and academic exchanges between Oregon and**
3 **Ireland;**

4 **(d) Encourage mutual economic support between Oregon and**
5 **Ireland;**

6 **(e) Encourage mutual investment in the infrastructure of Oregon**
7 **and Ireland; and**

8 **(f) Address other issues as determined by the commission.**

9 **(4) A majority of the voting members of the commission constitutes**
10 **a quorum for the transaction of business.**

11 **(5) Official action by the commission requires the approval of a**
12 **majority of the voting members of the commission.**

13 **(6) The commission shall elect one of its members to serve as**
14 **chairperson.**

15 **(7) The term of a member appointed by the Governor is four years.**
16 **The term of a member appointed by the President of the Senate or the**
17 **Speaker of the House of Representative is two years. If there is a**
18 **vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an ap-**
19 **pointment to become immediately effective.**

20 **(8) The commission shall meet at times and places specified by the**
21 **call of the chairperson or of a majority of the voting members of the**
22 **commission.**

23 **(9) The commission may adopt rules necessary for the operation of**
24 **the commission.**

25 **(10) No later than September 15 of each year, the commission shall**
26 **submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may in-**
27 **clude recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the**
28 **Legislative Assembly related to trade, and to the Governor.**

29 **(11) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the com-**
30 **mission are nonvoting members of the commission and may act in an**
31 **advisory capacity only.**

1 **(12)(a) Members of the commission who are not legislators shall be**
2 **paid compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495.**

3 **(b) Members of the commission who are legislators shall be paid**
4 **compensation and expense reimbursement as provided in ORS 171.072.**

5 **(13) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are**
6 **directed to assist the commission in the performance of the duties of**
7 **the commission and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to**
8 **confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the**
9 **commission consider necessary to perform their duties.**

10 **SECTION 2.** **This 2024 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date**
11 **on which the 2024 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative**
12 **Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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