Meeting Summary

Joint Task Force on Artificial Intelligence
Meeting #2
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Date/Time	July 19, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. ([link](#) to recording)
Attendees	Chair Skip Newberry Senator Aaron Woods Reza Alavi Justin Brookman Jimmy Godard Sara Tangdall Rose Feliciano; substituting for David Edmonson Prasad Tadepalli; substituting for Alan Fern
Informational Meeting Introductory Remarks	Chair Newberry opened the informational meeting and provided an overview of the agenda, including an overview of frameworks and definitions regarding AI at various levels of government, as well as the challenges in constructing legislative definitions. LPRO staff noted the previous meeting summary is posted to OLIS and followed up on two items: 1) Task force members may designate a substitute to participate in meetings in the member's place, but may not designate a proxy to vote in their place, so substitutes do not count towards quorum; and 2) Task force member communications pertaining to task force work are considered public records.
Informational Meeting Foundational Documents for AI Definitions _[Link](#) to slides_	LPRO staff provided a presentation covering foundational documents for AI related definitions. These documents included the following: 1) <u>Blueprint for an AI Bill of Rights</u>: This is a white paper published in 2022 by the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy after a year-long listening session with stakeholders. 2) <u>The Executive Order on the Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence (2023)</u>: This executive order from October 2023 references AI, developers, and federal agencies, directing them to maximize the benefits of AI while minimizing risks using a set of eight guiding principles and priorities. 3) <u>The European Union Artificial Intelligence Act</u>: This Act goes into effect in August 2024; it is a unifying legal framework of ethical principles of development and use of AI systems deployed in the European Union. 4) <u>AI-Related Glossary of Terms from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)</u>: Published in May 2023, this general use glossary contains over 500 AI-related terms not tailored to any sector, with the goal of promoting a shared

understanding and improving communication among those using AI in a variety of fields.

Staff also reviewed Governor Kotek's State Government Artificial Intelligence Advisory Council, which was formed via executive order in 2023 and is using the FedRAMP Draft Emerging Technology Prioritization Framework as a foundational document. The Council's June 11, 2024, meeting covered steps some organizations have taken to address risks and benefits of AI.

The Chair reiterated that the legislation creating this task force gives greatest weight to federal definitions and frameworks, including the NIST glossary, and that this is a quickly changing arena, which should be kept in mind if any external documents are referenced in future legislation.

Noting the large number of terms and multiple definitions in the glossary, members expressed interest in knowing where to find the most up-to-date information regarding AI-related definitions and concepts that still need to be defined.

Informational Meeting Terms and Definitions in Statute, and Workplan Discussion Invited Speaker: Dexter Johnson, Legislative Counsel *Link* *to slides*	Legislative Counsel (LC) explained how statutory definitions are developed and used. New measures may define terms within the substance of the text or refer directly to specific existing definitions in the code. Legislation may incorporate external references to definitions, such as those in federal law, with the caveat that these definitions would remain static and therefore not be updated to include changes that occur in these external references after the Oregon statute goes into effect.

LC noted long and complex definitions are difficult to put into statute, so members should consider how necessary or broadly applicable a definition is. LC acknowledged the task of defining AI terms in statute may be difficult as technology changes and noted that in some cases, statute allows for a rulemaking process via agency. Building codes were cited as one example that uses technical definitions that can be updated by relevant agencies.

Initial member discussion covered an approach to AI definitions similar to that in use for building codes as one way of keeping the definitions current. Members noted challenges, including: 1) the changing nature of AI; 2) defining terms with no specific legislation or use case at hand to apply them to; 3) the lack of an existing AI-related agency with the resources needed to perform this work; and 4) the difference in terminology that may be needed for AI technology versus real-world applications. Members also asked for clarity on whether the task force is defining terms itself, or if it is finding existing definitions and recommending them to the legislature.

Members then turned to risk factors and whether applying a risk framework similar to that in the European Union AI Act would help the group focus its efforts to determine what definitions are needed. For example, using a chatbot online would pose a much different risk than using a large language model to make health care decisions.

The task force created three smaller workgroups to explore different aspects of AI covering: 1) ethics; 2) technology and methodology; and 3) application of AI. Members present volunteered to staff these and brought up concerns around accountability, safety, and transparency. The workgroups were directed to meet at least once prior to the next task force meeting and report back to the group, scheduled for 10 a.m. on Friday, August 9.

Public Comment	*None*
Meeting Materials	*Link to Staff Slides* *Link to the Blueprint for an AI Bill of Rights* *Link to the Executive Order on the Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence* *Link to the National Institute of Standards and Technology's AI glossary* *Link to Legislative Counsel Slides*