

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 2263**

Ordered by the House April 4  
Including House Amendments dated April 4

Introduced and printed pursuant to House Rule 12.00. Pre-session filed (at the request of Joint Task Force on Student Success for Underrepresented Students in Higher Education for former Representative Teresa Alonso Leon)

**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.

*[Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to conduct study to determine how best to coordinate post-secondary education in Oregon. Directs commission to submit findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to higher education not later than September 15, 2024.]*

**Establishes Task Force on Student Housing for purpose of examining student housing availability and funding at post-secondary institutions of education with goal of developing specific and actionable recommendations to improve student housing availability, accessibility and affordability and recommendations on how institutions can be open, welcoming and safe places for houseless students.**

**Establishes Task Force on Student Access to Child Care for purpose of reviewing state-provided child care grants and campus-based child care centers to determine what combination of direct student support and state grants would meet needs of greatest number of students and to provide recommendations on legislation that would best increase access and provide affordable child care to students enrolled at post-secondary institutions of education.**

**Requires task forces to submit report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly related to higher education by September 15, 2024.**

**Sunsets task forces on December 31, 2024.**

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

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

1  
2 Relating to higher education; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Student Housing is established.**

5 **(2) The task force consists of 15 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 Senate Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
9 **Senate.**

10 **(c) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among**  
11 **members of the House of Representatives.**

12 **(d) The House Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
13 **House of Representatives.**

14 **(e) The Governor shall appoint the following voting members of the task force:**

15 **(A) One member who is a commissioner on the Higher Education Coordinating Commis-**  
16 **sion;**

17 **(B) One member who represents the Housing and Community Services Department;**

18 **(C) One member who represents public universities listed in ORS 352.002;**

**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 (D) One member who represents community colleges operated under ORS chapter 341;

2 (E) One member who is a student enrolled at a public university;

3 (F) One member who is a student enrolled at a community college;

4 (G) One member who represents an organization or nonprofit corporation that advocates  
5 for affordable housing;

6 (H) One member who represents an organization or nonprofit corporation that advocates  
7 for houseless individuals; and

8 (I) Two members who are employed at the housing office of a public university or com-  
9 munity college, with the two members appointed under this subparagraph each affiliated with  
10 a different institution.

11 (f) The State Treasurer, or designee of the State Treasurer, shall serve as an ex officio  
12 voting member of the task force.

13 (3) The task force shall:

14 (a) Examine student housing availability and funding at post-secondary institutions of  
15 education in this state, with the goal of developing specific and actionable recommendations  
16 to improve student housing availability, accessibility and affordability; and

17 (b) Provide recommendations on how post-secondary institutions of education in this  
18 state can be open, welcoming and safe places for houseless students.

19 (4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the  
20 transaction of business.

21 (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting  
22 members of the task force.

23 (6) The Governor shall designate one member appointed under subsection (2)(e) of this  
24 section as chairperson and another as vice chairperson of the task force.

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

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

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

30 (10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 that sets  
31 forth the findings and recommendations made by the task force under subsection (3) of this  
32 section, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committee of the  
33 Legislative Assembly related to higher education no later than September 15, 2024.

34 (11) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall provide staff support to the  
35 task force.

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

38 (13) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not  
39 entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task  
40 force.

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

45 **SECTION 2.** (1) The Task Force on Student Access to Child Care is established.

- 1       **(2) The task force consists of 11 members appointed as follows:**  
2       **(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
3 **Senate.**  
4       **(b) The Senate Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
5 **Senate.**  
6       **(c) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among**  
7 **members of the House of Representatives.**  
8       **(d) The House Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
9 **House of Representatives.**  
10       **(e) The Governor shall appoint:**  
11       **(A) One member who is a commissioner on the Higher Education Coordinating Commis-**  
12 **sion;**  
13       **(B) One member who represents public universities listed in ORS 352.002;**  
14       **(C) One member who represents community colleges operated under ORS chapter 341;**  
15       **(D) One member who is a student enrolled at a public university;**  
16       **(E) One member who is a student enrolled at a community college;**  
17       **(F) One member who represents the Department of Early Learning and Care; and**  
18       **(G) One member who represents an organization that advocates for a child care center**  
19 **on the campus of one or more post-secondary institutions of education.**  
20       **(3) The task force shall:**  
21       **(a) Review state-provided child care grants and campus-based child care centers to de-**  
22 **termine what combination of direct student support and state grants to campus-based child**  
23 **care centers would meet the needs of the greatest number of students; and**  
24       **(b) Provide recommendations on potential legislation that would best increase access and**  
25 **provide affordable child care to students enrolled at post-secondary institutions of education.**  
26       **(4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the**  
27 **transaction of business.**  
28       **(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting**  
29 **members of the task force.**  
30       **(6) The Governor shall designate one member appointed under subsection (2)(e) of this**  
31 **section as chairperson and another as vice chairperson of the task force.**  
32       **(7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-**  
33 **ment to become immediately effective.**  
34       **(8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson**  
35 **or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.**  
36       **(9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.**  
37       **(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 that sets**  
38 **forth the findings and recommendations made by the task force under subsection (3) of this**  
39 **section, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committee of the**  
40 **Legislative Assembly related to higher education no later than September 15, 2024.**  
41       **(11) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall provide staff support to the**  
42 **task force.**  
43       **(12) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting**  
44 **members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.**  
45       **(13) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not**

1 **entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task**  
2 **force.**

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

7 **SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this 2023 Act are repealed on December 31, 2024.**

8 **SECTION 4. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023**  
9 **regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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