

House Bill 3105

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON RULES (at the request of Representative Julie Fahey)

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 Lobby Ethics. Directs task force to study and make recommendations to improve and standardize lobby ethics and to improve transparency on how money and lobbying impact decision making within legislative process.

Sunsets task force on December 31, 2024.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to lobbying; 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 Lobby Ethics is established.**

5 **(2) The task force consists of 11 members appointed as follows:**

6 **(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint:**

7 **(A) Two members from among members of the Senate.**

8 **(B) Two members who are registered lobbyists under ORS 171.740.**

9 **(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint:**

10 **(A) Two members from among members of the House of Representatives.**

11 **(B) Two members who are registered lobbyists under ORS 171.740.**

12 **(c) The Governor shall appoint one member of the Oregon Government Ethics Commis-**
13 **sion, one representative of local governments and one registered lobbyist under ORS 171.740.**

14 **(3) The task force shall study lobbying in this state and make recommendations to im-**
15 **prove and standardize lobby ethics and to improve transparency on how money and lobbying**
16 **impact decision making within the legislative process.**

17 **(4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the**
18 **transaction of business.**

19 **(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting**
20 **members of the task force.**

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

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

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

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

27 **(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and**
28 **may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim Senate and House committees**
29 **on rules no later than September 15, 2024.**

30 **(11) The Legislative Policy and Research Director shall provide staff support to the task**

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 **force.**

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

4 (13) **Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not**
5 **entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task**
6 **force.**

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

11 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on December 31, 2024.**

12 **SECTION 3. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023**
13 **regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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