

CHAPTER 702

AN ACT

HB 2178

Relating to campaign finance; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Campaign Finance Reform is established, consisting of 17 members as follows:

(a) The Secretary of State shall appoint:

(A) Five members to represent the interests of political parties in Oregon, with at least one member representing each of the major political parties in Oregon.

(B) Two members to represent the interests of electors who are not affiliated with any political party.

(C) One member to represent the interests of the League of Women Voters of Oregon.

(D) One member to represent the interests of organizations that focus on campaign finance reform.

(E) One member to represent the interests of nonprofit organizations.

(F) One member to represent the interests of for-profit organizations.

(G) One member to represent the interests of nonprofit organizations that focus on voter registration.

(b) The Secretary of State shall serve as a member of the task force.

(c) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the Senate, one of whom is a Democrat and one of whom is a Republican.

(d) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among members of the House of Representatives, one of whom is a Democrat and one of whom is a Republican.

(2) The task force shall conduct an analysis and determine the best method or methods to address campaign finance reforms.

(3) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members of the task force.

(5) The Secretary of State shall serve as chairperson of the task force.

(6) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

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

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

(9) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules no later than December 31, 2015.

(10) The staff of the Committee Services Office of the Legislative Administration Committee shall provide staff support to the task force.

(11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly for purposes of the task force.

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

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on July 2, 2017.

SECTION 3. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

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