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### **Kotek announces 2015 House committee assignments**

SALEM- Oregon House Speaker Tina Kotek (D-Portland) today announced house committee assignments for the 2015 Legislative Session.

The assignments come after Kotek met with every returning and incoming member of the House of Representatives to discuss their priorities and interests.

“Every member of the House has a role to play and a unique voice to lend to this process,” said Kotek. “Each of us comes to the Capitol to do the best we can to improve the prosperity of our individual communities and the state as a whole. My hope is that every member will work hard this session with the goal of expanding opportunity in their districts.”

The House will convene January 12, 2015 for an organizational session, which will include the swearing-in of all House members, the official election of the constitutional officers and the introduction of the first set of bills. The 2015 Session will officially begin February 2.

A list of the House committees and House appointments to Legislative Joint Committees is attached.

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## 2015 House Committees

### **Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee**

Brad Witt, Chair  
Wayne Krieger, Vice Chair  
Susan McLain, Vice Chair  
Greg Barreto  
Sal Esquivel  
Lew Frederick  
Chris Gorsek  
Caddy M<sup>c</sup>Keown  
Gail Whitsett

### **Business and Labor Committee**

Paul Holvey, Chair  
Brent Barton, Vice Chair  
Bill Kennemer, Vice Chair  
Greg Barreto  
Margaret Doherty  
Sal Esquivel  
Paul Evans  
Shemia Fagan  
Dallas Heard  
Rob Nosse  
Jim Weidner

### **Consumer Protection and Government Effectiveness Committee**

Shemia Fagan, Chair  
Knut Buehler, Vice Chair  
Dan Rayfield, Vice Chair  
Joe Gallegos  
Paul Holvey  
Mike Nearman  
Duane Stark

### **Education Committee**

Margaret Doherty, Chair  
Lew Frederick, Vice Chair  
Sherrie Sprenger, Vice Chair  
Greg Barreto  
Jodi Hack  
Susan McLain  
Carla Piluso  
Jeff Reardon  
Carl Wilson

### **Energy and Environment Committee**

Jessica Vega Pederson, Chair  
Jeff Reardon, Vice Chair  
Mark Johnson, Vice Chair  
Cliff Bentz  
Deborah Boone  
Ken Helm  
Paul Holvey  
Dallas Heard  
Jim Weidner

### **Health Care Committee**

Mitch Greenlick, Chair  
Rob Nosse, Vice Chair  
Cedric Hayden, Vice Chair  
Knut Buehler  
Brian Clem  
Bill Kennemer  
Alissa Keny-Guyer  
John Lively  
Jim Weidner

### **Higher Education, Innovation, and Workforce Development Committee**

Tobias Read, Chair  
Joe Gallegos, Vice Chair  
Gene Whisnant, Vice Chair  
Cedric Hayden  
Mark Johnson  
Caddy M<sup>c</sup>Keown  
Mike Nearman  
Jeff Reardon  
Jennifer Williamson

### **Human Services and Housing Committee**

Alissa Keny-Guyer, Chair  
Carla Piluso, Vice-Chair  
Duane Stark, Vice Chair  
Knut Buehler  
Paul Evans  
Joe Gallegos  
Cedric Hayden  
Julie Parrish  
Kathleen Taylor

**Judiciary Committee**

Jeff Barker, Chair  
Jennifer Williamson, Vice Chair  
Andy Olson, Vice Chair  
Brent Barton  
Mitch Greenlick  
Ann Lininger  
Wayne Krieger  
Bill Post  
Sherrie Sprenger

**Rural Communities, Land Use and Water Committee**

Brian Clem, Chair  
Ken Helm, Vice Chair  
Bill Post, Vice Chair  
John Davis  
Vic Gilliam  
David Gomberg  
Brad Witt

**Revenue Committee**

Phil Barnhart, Chair  
Jessica Vega Pederson, Vice Chair  
Cliff Bentz, Vice Chair  
John Davis  
Mark Johnson  
Ann Lininger  
Tobias Read  
Barbara Smith Warner  
Gail Whitsett

**Rules Committee**

Val Hoyle, Chair  
Barbara Smith Warner, Vice Chair  
Vic Gilliam, Vice Chair  
Phil Barnhart  
Bill Kennemer  
Mike McLane  
Rob Nosse  
Dan Rayfield  
Carl Wilson

**Transportation and Economic Development Committee**

Caddy M<sup>c</sup>Keown, Chair  
Chris Gorsek, Vice Chair  
John Davis, Vice Chair  
Cliff Bentz  
Margaret Doherty  
Jodi Hack  
John Lively  
Susan McLain

**Veterans and Emergency Preparedness Committee**

John Lively, Chair  
Deborah Boone, Vice Chair  
Sal Esquivel, Vice Chair  
Paul Evans  
John Huffman  
Julie Parrish  
Carla Piluso

**Committee on Conduct**

Mitch Greenlick, Chair  
Nancy Nathanson  
Andy Olson  
Gail Whitsett

# 2015 House Appointments to Joint Committees

## **Joint Ways & Means Committee**

Peter Buckley, Co-Chair  
Nancy Nathanson, Vice Co-Chair  
Greg Smith, Vice Co-Chair  
David Gomberg  
John Huffman  
Betty Komp  
Mike McLane  
Dan Rayfield  
Tobias Read  
Gene Whisnant  
Gail Whitsett  
Jennifer Williamson

## **Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee**

David Gomberg, Chair  
Mike Nearman  
Tobias Read  
Gail Whitsett  
Brad Witt

## **Capital Construction Subcommittee**

Tobias Read, Chair  
Val Hoyle  
John Huffman  
Tina Kotek  
Greg Smith

## **Education Subcommittee**

Betty Komp, Chair  
John Huffman  
Barbara Smith Warner  
Sherrie Sprenger  
Kathleen Taylor

## **General Government Subcommittee**

Greg Smith, Chair  
Dallas Heard  
Betty Komp  
Nancy Nathanson  
Kathleen Taylor

## **Human Services Subcommittee**

Nancy Nathanson, Chair  
Deborah Boone  
Alissa Keny-Guyer  
Andy Olson  
Duane Stark

## **Natural Resources Subcommittee**

Dan Rayfield, Chair  
Brian Clem  
David Gomberg  
Jodi Hack  
Julie Parrish

## **Public Safety Subcommittee**

Jennifer Williamson, Chair  
Jeff Barker  
Chris Gorsek  
Wayne Krieger  
Gene Whisnant

## **Information Technology Subcommittee**

Nancy Nathanson, Chair  
Lew Frederick  
Mike Nearman

## **Joint Committee on Implementing Measure 91**

Ann Lininger, Chair  
Carl Wilson, Vice-Chair  
Peter Buckley  
Ken Helm  
Andy Olson

## **Joint Legislative Audits Committee**

Peter Buckley, Chair  
Nancy Nathanson  
Gene Whisnant

## **Joint Committee on Tax Credits**

Phil Barnhart, Chair  
Jessica Vega Pederson, Vice Chair  
Cliff Bentz, Vice Chair  
John Davis  
Mark Johnson  
Ann Lininger  
Tobias Read  
Barbara Smith Warner  
Gail Whitsett

## **Joint Legislative Administration**

Tina Kotek, Chair  
Phil Barnhart  
Val Hoyle  
John Huffman  
Mike McLane  
Greg Smith  
Nancy Nathanson (Alternate)

## **Joint Legislative Counsel**

Tina Kotek, Chair  
Phil Barnhart  
Brent Barton  
Cliff Bentz  
Mike McLane

## **Joint Committee on Health Insurance Transition**

Mitch Greenlick, Chair  
Bill Kennemer, Vice Chair  
John Davis  
Alissa Keny-Guyer  
Nancy Nathanson