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Sen. Taylor sworn in to first term in Oregon State Senate

New senator has built her public service career on government efficiency, transparency

SALEM – Sen. Kathleen Taylor (D-Portland) took the oath of office today for her first term in the Oregon Senate, representing Senate District 21, which previously had been served by longtime Sen. Diane Rosenbaum (D-Portland).

"It is an honor to be able to follow such an esteemed senator, representing this district," Taylor said. "I am looking forward to continuing in public service to address the pressing issues facing Oregonians and the state government. I am particularly looking forward to finding ways to make Oregon a safer and more fair place for our most vulnerable workers who are struggling to make ends meet."

Taylor – whose experience includes service in the Oregon House of Representatives – will hit the ground running in the Senate, chairing the Senate Workforce Committee. She also will be serving on the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue, Joint Ways and Means Natural Resources Subcommittee, Joint Committee on Tax Credits and the Joint Committee on Transportation Preservation and Modernization.

Taylor brings a diverse array of experience to the job, having worked in the public and private sector and as a management auditor, examining and analyzing government programs. She has worked for the city of Portland, Metro, Multnomah County and the Oregon Secretary of State's Office to help make government more efficient and transparent on all levels.

"I have devoted a significant part of my career to increasing government efficiency and transparency," Taylor said. "I'm excited to continue this important work in the Oregon Senate so we can deliver the best possible services to Oregonians in Senate District 21, and the rest of the state."