

**Enrolled**  
**House Bill 2774**

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

CHAPTER .....

AN ACT

Relating to the Task Force on Victims' Rights Enforcement; amending section 20, chapter 178, Oregon Laws 2009; repealing section 21, chapter 178, Oregon Laws 2009; and declaring an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. Section 21, chapter 178, Oregon Laws 2009, is repealed.**

**SECTION 2. Section 20, chapter 178, Oregon Laws 2009, is amended to read:**

**Sec. 20.** (1) There is created the Task Force on Victims' Rights Enforcement consisting of the Attorney General and at least nine members appointed as follows:

(a) The Attorney General shall appoint:

(A) Two members employed by or associated with a group advocating for the rights of victims of crime;

(B) A member who represents the Department of Justice Crime Victims' Services Division;

(C) A lawyer routinely engaged in the representation of persons charged with a crime, after consulting with professional organizations serving such lawyers;

(D) A lawyer routinely engaged in prosecuting persons charged with person felony crimes, after consulting with professional organizations serving such lawyers;

(E) A lawyer routinely engaged in prosecuting persons charged with a crime, after consulting with professional organizations serving such lawyers; and

(F) Other persons the Attorney General deems appropriate;

(b) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall appoint:

(A) A person employed by the Judicial Department, other than a judge; and

(B) A judge; and

(c) The executive director of the office of public defense services established under ORS 151.216 shall appoint a person employed by the office of public defense services.

(2) The task force shall review the implementation of [*sections 1 to 19 of this 2009 Act*] **ORS 147.500 to 147.550.**

(3) The Attorney General shall serve as chair of the task force and may establish a term of office for the members. 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.

(4) Members serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

(5) The task force [*shall*] **may** prepare reports that [*may*] include recommendations for legislation designed to improve, in a cost-efficient manner, the protection of rights granted to victims of crime by the Oregon Constitution. The task force [*shall*] **may** submit a report [*to the President of the*

Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than:] prepared under this subsection to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided in ORS 192.245.

[*(a) January 1, 2011; and*]

[*(b) January 1, 2013.*]

(6) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

(7) The Department of Justice shall provide staff support to the task force.

(8) 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 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.**

**Passed by House April 10, 2013**

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Ramona J. Line, Chief Clerk of House

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

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