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Measure: HB 2297 - A

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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force to Build a More Effective System for Preventing Children's Behavioral, Psychological and Health Problems.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), Department of Education, Department of Human Services (DHS), Early Learning Council, Legislative Oregon Educational Investment Board, Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Oregon Youth Authority (OYA)

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

House Bill 2297 establishes the 15-member Task Force to Build a More Effective System for Preventing Children's Behavioral Psychological and Health Problems. The task force sunsets on December 1, 2016.

The fiscal impact of this bill on Legislative Administration Committee is indeterminate depending on the scope of work undertaken by the task force. The bill requires the Legislative Administration Committee to provide staff support to the task force, and to reimburse task force members. In addition, the bill requires the task force to carry out wide-ranging duties that may require outside expertise and additional resources including:

- Reviewing existing law that establishes the interventions and specifies how those interventions will be implemented.
- Assessing the degree to which existing law regarding intervention is being implemented.
- Developing a budget analysis of all state expenditures related to interventions.
- Analyzing how data related to existing interventions are being used for accountability and for improving professional practice, as well as how those data may be improved.

Although the 2015-17 Legislative Branch budget contains funds allocated for interim committee and task force, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2015-17 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

The Legislative Assembly, Department of Education, Oregon Education Investment Board, Early Learning Council, Youth Development Council, Oregon Youth Authority, Department of Human Services, and the Oregon Health Authority are required to appoint representatives to serve as members of the task force. This fiscal assumes that participation on the task force will have minimal impact on these entities. Each of these organizations anticipates reprioritizing duties and responsibilities of existing staff to allow participation on the task force.

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