

House Bill 2402

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Establishes Task Force on State Department of Fish and Wildlife Funding.
Sunsets task force on December 31, 2016.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to State Department of Fish and Wildlife funding; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on State Department of Fish and Wildlife Funding is**
5 **established, consisting of nine members appointed as follows:**

6 (a) **The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the**
7 **Senate.**

8 (b) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among**
9 **members of the House of Representatives.**

10 (c) **The Governor shall appoint five members as follows:**

11 (A) **One member representing the outdoor recreation business community;**

12 (B) **One member representing conservation interests;**

13 (C) **One member representing hunting and fishing interests;**

14 (D) **One member representing recreation interests other than hunting and fishing; and**

15 (E) **One public member with an interest in funding for the State Department of Fish and**
16 **Wildlife.**

17 (2) **The task force shall:**

18 (a) **Identify and recommend potential alternative funding sources for the State Depart-**
19 **ment of Fish and Wildlife that may include:**

20 (A) **The sale of recreational outdoor equipment, clothing or related goods;**

21 (B) **Contributions from businesses and other organizations to support the protection and**
22 **preservation of nongame wildlife and their habitat; or**

23 (C) **Other funding models; and**

24 (b) **Identify and recommended opportunities for the State Department of Fish and**
25 **Wildlife to better achieve its mission and conservation program objectives through leverag-**
26 **ing, coordinating and budgeting funds from alternative sources and existing sources includ-**
27 **ing, but not limited to, federal funds, licenses and permits, lottery funds and mitigation**
28 **funds.**

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

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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

3 (5) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.

4 (6) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-
5 ment to become immediately effective.

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

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

9 (9) The task force may pre-session file legislation in the manner provided in ORS 171.130
10 for interim committees. All legislation recommended by official action of the task force must
11 indicate that it is introduced at the request of the task force.

12 (10) The task force shall report to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided in
13 ORS 192.245 at any time within 30 days after its final meeting or at such later time as the
14 President and Speaker may designate.

15 (11) The Legislative Administrator may employ persons necessary for the performance
16 of the functions of the task force. The Legislative Administrator shall fix the duties and
17 amounts of compensation of these employees. The task force shall use the services of con-
18 tinuing legislative staff, without employing additional persons, to the greatest extent practi-
19 cable.

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

24 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on December 31, 2016.

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

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