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SUMMARY

Requires Director of Department of Consumer and Business Services to convene task force to study and make recommendations for improving and stabilizing health insurance exchange. Specifies membership of task force.

Sunsets task force on December 31, 2018.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the health insurance exchange; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services shall convene a task force consisting of seven members appointed as follows:

(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among members of the Senate.

(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among members of the House of Representatives.

(c) The Governor shall appoint:

(A) One member representing small business owners;

(B) One member representing large employers;

(C) One member representing consumers; and

(D) Two members representing health insurance carriers.

(2) The task force shall study and, no later than September 15, 2018, make recommendations to the director and to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health for improving and stabilizing the health insurance exchange, including but not limited to

utilizing a technical platform other than healthcare.gov.

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

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

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

(6) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

(7) 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.

(8) The Department of Consumer and Business Services shall provide staff support to the task force.

(9) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

(10) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the task force in the performance of the task force's duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the task force consider necessary to perform their duties.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on December 31, 2018.

SECTION 3. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.