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SUMMARY

Establishes Task Force on Secure Pipelines. Directs task force to study matters related to safe transportation of petroleum, natural gas and other flammable substances through pipelines. Directs task force to submit report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly related to emergency preparedness no later than September 15, 2018.

Sunsets December 31, 2018.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to pipeline security; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Secure Pipelines is established, consisting of nine 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) Two members from the Office of Emergency Management;

(B) One member from the Department of Transportation who is knowledgeable about the department's functions, duties and powers with respect to the laying of pipelines along public roads;

(C) One member from the State Department of Energy who is knowledgeable about the petroleum industry;

(D) One member from the Public Utility Commission who is knowledgeable about the natural gas industry;

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 (E) One member who represents petroleum suppliers who is know-
2 ledgeable about the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty and Job
3 Creation Act of 2011 (P.L. 112-90); and

4 (F) One member who represents the natural gas industry who is
5 knowledgeable about the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty and Job
6 Creation Act of 2011 (P.L. 112-90).

7 (2) The task force shall study and make a report on:

8 (a) State and federal safety standards for pipelines and associated
9 facilities;

10 (b) New technologies, including self-sealing overcoating, that pro-
11 vide for the safe transportation of petroleum, natural gas and other
12 flammable substances through pipelines;

13 (c) The degree to which those technologies will mitigate potential
14 dangers to pipelines and associated facilities posed by seismic activity
15 and other natural catastrophes;

16 (d) The costs associated with using those technologies when con-
17 structing new pipelines and associated facilities;

18 (e) The costs that would be incurred by using those technologies to
19 retrofit existing pipelines and associated facilities;

20 (f) Mandates that may be imposed to require using those technolo-
21 gies to construct or retrofit intrastate pipelines and associated facili-
22 ties;

23 (g) Incentives that may be used to encourage using those technol-
24 ogies to construct or retrofit interstate and intrastate pipelines and
25 associated facilities;

26 (h) The certification and agreement processes available under the
27 Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty and Job Creation Act of 2011
28 (P.L. 112-90) in imposing mandates described in paragraph (f) of this
29 subsection; and

30 (i) The likelihood that the incentives described in paragraph (g) of
31 this subsection would encourage the construction or retrofitting of

1 interstate or intrastate pipelines and associated facilities.

2 (3) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quo-
3 rum for the transaction of business.

4 (4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a ma-
5 jority of the members of the task force.

6 (5) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chair-
7 person.

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

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

13 (8) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of
14 the task force.

15 (9) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by
16 ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an
17 interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency
18 preparedness as appropriate no later than September 15, 2018.

19 (10) The Oregon Military Department shall provide staff support to
20 the task force.

21 (11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legis-
22 lative Assembly are not entitled to compensation, but may be reim-
23 bursed for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by
24 them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and
25 amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in
26 performing functions of the task force shall be paid out of funds ap-
27 propriated to the Oregon Military Department for purposes of the task
28 force.

29 (12) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are
30 directed to assist the task force in the performance of its duties and,
31 to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish

1 such information and advice as the members of the task force consider
2 necessary to perform their duties.

3 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on December 31,
4 2018.

5 SECTION 3. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-
6 ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-
7 clared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.

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