

## HB 3173 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### Joint Committee On Ways and Means

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/25, 5/31

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

House Bill 3173 creates the 15-member Task Force on Tribal Consultation, which is to identify and clarify the requirements of state agencies to engage in tribal consultation. The task force is to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to government no later than September 15, 2024. 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 task force volunteers. The measure directs the Office of the Governor to provide staff support to the task force, which sunsets on December 31, 2024. The measure takes effect 91 days after adjournment *sine die*.

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Fiscal impact of the measure

#### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In 1975, the Legislative Assembly established the Legislative Commission on Indian Services (section 2, chapter 688, Oregon Laws 1975). The commission was created to improve services to Indians in Oregon by compiling information about services available to Indians; developing and sponsoring programs to inform Indians of services available to them; developing and sponsoring programs to make Indian wants and needs known to the public and private agencies, the activities of which affect Indians; assessing and recommending improvements of state agency programs operating for the benefit of Indians; and reporting biennially to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly on all matters of concern to Indians of this state.

There are nine federally recognized Indian Tribes in Oregon: The Burns Paiute Tribe; the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw; the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation; the Coquille Indian Tribe; the Klamath Tribes; the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe of Indians; the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation; the Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde; and the Confederated Tribes of Siletz.

House Bill 3173 continues the stated policy of the Legislative Assembly to continually improve services to American Indians in this state and promote communication between the state and the nine federally recognized Indian Tribes in Oregon, by creating the 15-member Task Force on Tribal Consultation, which is to identify and clarify the requirements of state agencies to engage in tribal consultation.