Senate Bill 41

Sponsored by Senator FINDLEY (at the request of Oregon Business and Industry) (Presession filed.)

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.**

Creates Task Force on Regulatory Efficiency. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to administrative law; and prescribing an effective date.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Regulatory Efficiency is established.
 - (2) The task force consists of 12 members appointed as follows:
 - (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members who are not members of the same political party from among members of the Senate.
 - (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members who are not members of the same political party from among members of the House of Representatives.
 - (c) The Governor shall appoint eight members as follows:
 - (A) One representative of the Department of Environmental Quality.
 - (B) One representative of the Occupational Safety and Health Division of the Department of Consumer and Business Services.
 - (C) One representative of the Employment Department.
 - (D) One representative of the Department of Land Conservation and Development.
- 16 **(E) One representative of labor unions.**
- 17 (F) One representative of an organization relating to the environment.
- 18 (G) One representative of an organization relating to minority-owned businesses.
- 19 (H) One representative of a statewide organization relating to business.
- 20 (3) The task force shall:

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- (a) Review agency regulatory managerial effectiveness and organizational competence, jurisdictional overlap or conflict among regulatory bodies, managerial accountability, internal agency incentive structures, customer focus and how agency cultures influence regulatory oversight, including the rulemaking process.
- (b) Evaluate whether a permanent regulatory efficacy commission is necessary to provide independent evaluations of agency performance and remedy shortcomings of existing state audit functions.
- (4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
- (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting members of the task force.

- (6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
- (7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.
- (8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.
 - (9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.
- (10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to a committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to general government no later than September 15, 2024.
 - (11) The office of the Governor shall provide staff support to the task force.
- (12) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.
- (13) 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.
- (14) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the task force in the performance of the duties of the task force 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 2023 Act is repealed on December 31, 2024.

SECTION 3. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.