

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 572

By COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

April 11

1 On page 2 of the printed bill, after line 23, insert:

2 **“SECTION 4. (1) The Task Force on Ensuring Post-Secondary Educational Opportunities**
3 **for Individuals with Disabilities is established.**

4 **“(2) The task force consists of 19 members appointed as follows:**

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

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

9 **“(c) The Governor shall appoint:**

10 **“(A) Five members who are:**

11 **“(i) Current or former students at public universities listed in ORS 352.002 and commu-**
12 **nity colleges operated under ORS chapter 341; and**

13 **“(ii) Members of a diverse range of disability communities;**

14 **“(B) Five members who are disability community advocates; and**

15 **“(C) Five members who are staff from public universities and community colleges who**
16 **have worked with students with disabilities.**

17 **“(3) The task force shall investigate whether statutory changes, institutional policy**
18 **changes or financial investments would improve the experience and outcomes of students**
19 **with disabilities.**

20 **“(4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the**
21 **transaction of business.**

22 **“(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting**
23 **members of the task force.**

24 **“(6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.**

25 **“(7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-**
26 **ment to become immediately effective.**

27 **“(8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson**
28 **or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.**

29 **“(9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.**

30 **“(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and**
31 **may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative**
32 **Assembly related to higher education no later than September 15, 2024.**

33 **“(11) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall provide staff support to the**
34 **task force.**

35 **“(12) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting**

1 members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.

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

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

9 “(15) As used in this section:

10 “(a) ‘Disability communities’ includes but is not limited to individuals with intellectual
11 and developmental disabilities, individuals with physical disabilities, individuals who utilize
12 mobility aids, individuals with mental illness, neurodivergent individuals, individuals with vi-
13 sion impairment, individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, individuals with acquired brain
14 injuries and individuals with acquired spinal injuries.

15 “(b) ‘Neurodivergent individuals’ includes but is not limited to individuals who have
16 autism, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, dyslexia, dyscalculia or obsessive compulsive
17 disorder.

18 “SECTION 5. Section 4 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2026.”.

19 In line 24, delete “4” and insert “6”.
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