

Senate Bill 900

Sponsored by Senator KNOPP

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**.

Establishes Task Force on Organized Retail Theft. Directs task force to review existing issues of organized retail theft to determine changes to laws or policies to address issues or reduce organized retail theft. Sunsets on December 31, 2024.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to organized retail theft; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Organized Retail Theft is established.**

5 **(2) The task force consists of five members appointed as follows:**

6 **(a) The President of the Senate, in consultation with the Senate Minority Leader, shall**
7 **appoint two members who are members of the public. The two members appointed under this**
8 **paragraph may not be from the same political party.**

9 **(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives, in consultation with the House Minority**
10 **Leader, shall appoint two members who are members of the public. The two members ap-**
11 **pointed under this paragraph may not be from the same political party.**

12 **(c) The Attorney General shall appoint one member who is a member of the public.**

13 **(3) The task force shall review existing issues of organized retail theft and determine**
14 **changes to laws or policies that may address those issues or reduce organized retail theft.**

15 **(4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**
16 **of business.**

17 **(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**
18 **of the task force.**

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

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

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

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

25 **(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and may**
26 **include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assem-**
27 **bly related to crime no later than September 15, 2024.**

28 **(11) The Department of Justice shall provide staff support to the task force.**

29 **(12) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for**
30 **expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.**

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

5 **SECTION 2.** **Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on December 31, 2024.**

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

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