

Requested by Representative MANNIX

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 2662**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 29 and delete page  
2 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Willamette Valley Commuter Rail Task Force**  
4 **is established.**

5 **“(2) The task force consists of 18 members appointed as follows:**

6 **“(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from**  
7 **among members of the Senate, one of whom is registered with the**  
8 **largest political party in this state and one of whom is registered with**  
9 **the second largest political party in this state.**

10 **“(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two**  
11 **members from among members of the House of Representatives, one**  
12 **of whom is registered with the largest political party in this state and**  
13 **one of whom is registered with the second largest political party in**  
14 **this state.**

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

16 **“(A) One member chosen from a list of persons recommended by**  
17 **the Aurora city council;**

18 **“(B) One member chosen from a list of persons recommended by the**  
19 **Donald city council;**

20 **“(C) One member chosen from a list of persons recommended by the**  
21 **Hubbard city council;**

1       **“(D) One member chosen from a list of persons recommended by**  
2 **the Keizer city council;**

3       **“(E) One member chosen from a list of persons recommended by the**  
4 **Salem city council;**

5       **“(F) One member chosen from a list of persons recommended by the**  
6 **Wilsonville city council;**

7       **“(G) One member chosen from a list of persons recommended by**  
8 **the Woodburn city council;**

9       **“(H) One member who represents the Salem Area Mass Transit**  
10 **District;**

11       **“(I) One member who represents South Metro Area Regional**  
12 **Transit;**

13       **“(J) One member who represents Woodburn Transit Service;**

14       **“(K) One member who represents Yamhill County Transit;**

15       **“(L) One member who represents Portland & Western Railroad;**

16       **“(M) One member who represents the Association of Oregon Rail**  
17 **and Transit Advocates; and**

18       **“(N) One member who represents the Tri-County Metropolitan**  
19 **Transportation District of Oregon.**

20       **“(3) The task force shall:**

21       **“(a) Study extending the Westside Express Service commuter line**  
22 **to Salem, including increasing the frequency and hours of service and**  
23 **establishing a new entity to administer the rail service; and**

24       **“(b) Identify opportunities to apply for funding under the federal**  
25 **Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117-58) or other federal**  
26 **funding programs.**

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

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

1       “(6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as  
2 chairperson and another to serve as vice chairperson. The vice chair-  
3 person may act as chairperson in the absence of the chairperson.

4       “(7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority  
5 shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

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

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

11       “(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided  
12 by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to  
13 an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to trans-  
14 portation no later than September 15, 2024.

15       “(11) The Legislative Policy and Research Director shall provide  
16 staff support to the task force.

17       “(12) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task  
18 force are nonvoting members of the task force and may act in an ad-  
19 visory capacity only.

20       “(13) Members of the task force who are not members of the Leg-  
21 islative Assembly are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement  
22 for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

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

28       “SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2,  
29 2025.

30       “SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate

1 **preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is**  
2 **declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.”.**

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