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Bill Title: Relating to public health; prescribing an effective date.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Oregon Health Authority, Department of Justice, Task Force/Committee/Workgroup, Legislative Assembly, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, State Sheriffs' Association, Burns Paiute Tribe, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, Klamath Tribes

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2023-25 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Justice	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400,000	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400,000	-	-

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Justice	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

- This measure establishes a task-force- see analysis below.

Measure Description

The measure creates the 17-member Task Force on Community Safety and Firearm Suicide Prevention which is to study specific issues related to public health best practices for reducing deaths from community safety threats and for suicide prevention. The measure directs the Department of Justice (DOJ) to provide staff support for the task force. The measure provides a one-time \$400,000 General Fund appropriation to DOJ, for the biennium ending June 30, 2025, for the purpose of paying a third party for research ordered by the task force.

The measure requires the task force to study specific issues required by the measure and coordinate with DOJ, Oregon Health Authority, sheriff departments that provide voluntary storage of firearms, federally recognized Indian Tribes in Oregon, faith-based groups in Oregon, and the Oregon Alliance to Prevent Suicide.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact is estimated to be \$400,000 General Fund in the 2023-25 biennium.

Department of Justice

The fiscal impact on DOJ is \$400,000 General Fund in the 2023-25 biennium. The agency reports that the funds will be used for contracting a third party for required research. DOJ also reports the Attorney General Division can absorb the costs associated with staffing the task force within current resources.

Legislative Assembly

The bill is also expected to have a minimal impact on the Legislative Assembly. Four members of the task force will be legislative members who are entitled to per diem and travel reimbursement. Meetings are set by the chairperson and it is unknown how often the task force would meet; however, assuming that the task force meets seven times, the estimated per diem and travel reimbursement costs will total \$8,400. This amount includes the Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA) tax, assumes the per diem remains at \$166 per day, and estimates an average mileage of 180 miles at the current rate of \$0.67 per mile. This estimate could change based on the number of meetings held. The task force would not incur additional costs to the Legislative Assembly budget if the meetings are held at the Capitol building during the Legislative Session, or Task Force or Legislative Days.

Although the 2023-25 Legislative Assembly budget contains funds allocated for interim committees and task forces, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2023-25 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

Other Agencies

Oregon's federally recognized Tribes report that the fiscal impact is indeterminate due to the uncertainty of the level of coordination requested by the task force; however, the Legislative Fiscal Office anticipates the impact to be minimal.

LFO requested, but has not received, fiscal impact information from Oregon State Sheriffs' Association. In absence of this information, the fiscal impact on Oregon State Sheriffs' Association is indeterminate. If fiscal impact information is provided by Oregon State Sheriffs' Association, LFO will issue a revised fiscal impact statement.

There is a minimal fiscal impact on the Oregon Health Authority.

Relevant Dates

The bill takes effect on the 91st day after the Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die, and the task force sunsets on December 31, 2026.

The task force is to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to health care by September 15, 2024, and September 15, 2025.