

A-Engrossed House Bill 2269

Ordered by the House March 28
Including House Amendments dated March 28

Sponsored by Representative EVANS (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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act changes the relationship between OSCF and LAC. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).

[Modifies the number of the Oregon State Capitol Foundation voting directors who are appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.] Authorizes the **Oregon State Capitol** Foundation voting directors to appoint all *[remaining]* voting directors **who are not appointed by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives**. Changes the period for which the foundation must obtain independent financial reports from annually to biennially. Authorizes the Legislative Administrator to solicit and accept gifts, grants and donations from the foundation or other sources. Closes the Oregon State Capitol Foundation Operating Fund and the Oregon Capitol History Gateway Fund.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Oregon State Capitol Foundation; creating new provisions; amending ORS 173.500 and 173.720; repealing ORS 173.505 and 173.515; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 173.500 is amended to read:

173.500. (1)(a) There is established the Oregon State Capitol Foundation. The foundation shall be composed of not fewer than nine and not more than 25 voting directors, who shall each serve a term of four years. The President of the Senate shall appoint **not more than** three voting directors from members of the Senate. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint **not more than** three voting directors from members of the House of Representatives. *[The Legislative Administration Committee]* **The voting directors** shall appoint *[the]* **all** remaining voting directors **who were not appointed by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives**. A voting director is eligible for reappointment. **In order to ensure that the foundation has authority to act under subsection (6) of this section, the appointing authority may appoint a new voting director or reappoint an existing voting director upon a vacancy occurring or at any time within six months preceding the expiration of the term of a voting director.**

(b) The foundation may appoint honorary, nonvoting members to the foundation.

[(b)] (c) The foundation shall elect a chair from among the voting directors of the foundation. A **voting** director shall serve as chair for a two-year term and may thereafter be reelected as chair, except that:

(A) The foundation may replace a chair by majority vote of **the voting directors of** the foundation; and

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.

(B) A chair must at all times be a voting director of the foundation.

(2) The Oregon State Capitol Foundation shall:

(a) Advise the Legislative Administration Committee on the terms and conditions of contracts or agreements entered into under ORS 276.002.

(b) Recommend to the committee renovations, repairs and additions to the State Capitol.

(c) Recommend to the committee exhibits and events for the State Capitol.

(d) Deposit gifts, grants, donations and moneys converted from gifts or donations of other than money into separate trust accounts reserved for the purposes of the gifts, grants and donations.

(e) Develop, maintain and implement plans to:

(A) Enhance and embellish the State Capitol in keeping with the design and purpose of the building and adjacent areas; and

(B) Preserve the history of activities of state government that have occurred in the State Capitol and of persons who have participated in state government in the State Capitol.

(f) Establish such funds and accounts as are reasonably prudent for a nonprofit corporation of the scope and mission of the foundation.

[(g) Consult with any advisory committees the Legislative Administration Committee may designate before the foundation makes a recommendation required by this subsection.]

(3) The Oregon State Capitol Foundation may:

(a) Solicit and accept gifts, grants and donations from public and private sources in the name of the foundation.

(b) Convert gifts or donations other than money into moneys.

(c) Advise and educate in relation to changes in statutory law *[or adopted policy of the Legislative Administration Committee]* in order to implement or promote the policies and objectives of the foundation, except that such advice and education is limited to:

(A) Activities permitted within the limits afforded to organizations established under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(B) Advice or education undertaken by the foundation that furthers the purposes of the foundation under subsection (2) of this section.

(4) The Oregon State Capitol Foundation shall cause an independent audit to be performed *[annually]* **biennially** of all foundation finances. The auditor shall prepare *[an annual]* **a biennial** financial report according to generally accepted accounting principles and shall submit the report to the foundation *[and the Legislative Administration Committee]*.

(5) The chair of the Oregon State Capitol Foundation may enter into contracts to carry out those functions and policies of the foundation for which the foundation has granted the chair contract authority. ORS 279.835 to 279.855 and ORS chapters 279A, 279B and 279C do not apply to a contract or agreement entered into by the foundation. *[The chair may delegate the contracting authority granted under this subsection to the Legislative Administrator.]*

(6) The Oregon State Capitol Foundation may take action under this section upon a majority vote of a quorum of **voting** directors. A majority of the voting directors of the foundation constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

[(7) Notwithstanding ORS 171.072, directors or nonvoting members of the foundation who are members of the Legislative Assembly are not entitled to mileage expenses or a per diem and serve as volunteers on the foundation.]

[(8)] (7) The Oregon State Capitol Foundation may adopt its own rules and bylaws and is not subject to the rules of either house of the Legislative Assembly or Mason's Manual of Legislative

Procedure. The foundation shall adopt rules and bylaws to guide the foundation and implement the foundation's responsibilities under this section.

[(9)] (8) The Oregon State Capitol Foundation is not a part of the legislative department as defined in ORS 174.114 or a public body as defined in ORS 174.109. For purposes of ORS chapter 244, neither the Oregon State Capitol Foundation nor any director or nonvoting member of the foundation may be considered to have a legislative or administrative interest.

[(10)] *The Legislative Administrator shall provide meeting space and administrative support for the Oregon State Capitol Foundation.*

SECTION 2. ORS 173.720 is amended to read:

173.720. (1) Pursuant to the policies and directions of the Legislative Administration Committee, the Legislative Administrator shall:

(a) Coordinate administrative operations of the Legislative Assembly in order to ensure efficient work flow.

(b) Develop standard formats for legislative manuals and interim committee reports.

(c) Review legislative organization, rules and procedure in cooperation with the Legislative Counsel with the intent of modernizing legislative operations.

(d) Conduct a continuing study of possible applications of technological changes and improvements, such as data processing and electronic equipment, to improve legislative procedures, and when considered advisable, make recommendations to adopt such applications.

(e) Arrange for and coordinate orientation conferences for members of the Legislative Assembly that shall include, but need not be limited to, education about recycling programs available in the State Capitol.

(f) Study and make recommendations on legislative compensation and working conditions.

(g) Control all space and facilities within the State Capitol and such other space as is assigned to the Legislative Assembly.

(h) Direct renovation and repair of the State Capitol, renovation, repair and replacement of State Capitol fixtures and facilities, and artistic and other aesthetic improvements to the State Capitol and adjacent areas.

(i) Perform administrative service functions for the Legislative Assembly, including but not limited to accounting, data processing, personnel administration, printing, supply, space allocation and property management.

(j) Arrange for the printing and distribution of legislative manuals and interim committee reports.

(k) Establish fee schedules for legislative measures, calendars, indexes and digests.

(L) Coordinate the use of legislative supplies, materials, equipment and other property by legislative interim committees and by standing committees and offices of the Legislative Assembly.

(2) Pursuant to the policies and directions of the Legislative Administration Committee, the Legislative Administrator may enter into contracts to carry out the functions of the Legislative Administrator.

(3) The Legislative Administrator may solicit and accept gifts, grants and donations from the Oregon State Capitol Foundation and other public and private sources for purposes of carrying out subsection (1)(h) of this section.

SECTION 3. ORS 173.505 and ORS 173.515 are repealed.

SECTION 4. (1) Any moneys remaining in the Oregon State Capitol Foundation Operating Fund on the effective date of this 2025 Act that are unexpended, unobligated and not subject

1 to any conditions shall be transferred to the Oregon State Capitol Foundation.

2 (2) Any moneys remaining in the Oregon Capitol History Gateway Fund on the effective
3 date of this 2025 Act that are unexpended, unobligated and not subject to any conditions shall
4 be transferred to the Oregon State Capitol Foundation.

5 SECTION 5. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025
6 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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