House Bill 2898

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 **as introduced.** The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act makes a task force about sources of money that can be used for public safety and security and tells the task force to make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.6).

Establishes the Oregon All Funds Crisis and Disaster Resourcing Task Force. Directs the task force to review sources of public and private moneys used to support public safety and security in this state, assess the value of existing taxes, fees and other moneys and evaluate outcomes resulting from these funding sources.

Directs the task force to make recommendations to the Legislative Assembly for design and implementation of the strategic resources structure necessary to respond to future public safety and security needs.

Sunsets the task force on December 31, 2026. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to a public safety task force; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Oregon All Funds Crisis and Disaster Resourcing Task Force is established, consisting of seven members appointed as follows:
- 6 (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among members of the 7 Senate.
 - (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among members of the House of Representatives.
 - (c) The Governor shall appoint:
 - (A) One member representing the private business community;
- 12 (B) One member representing state or local public safety agencies; and
- 13 (C) Three at-large members who are residents of this state.
- 14 (2) The following serve as nonvoting ex officio members of the task force:
- 15 (a) The Adjutant General;
- 16 (b) The Superintendent of State Police;
 - (c) The Director of the Oregon Department of Emergency Management;
- 18 (d) The members of the Oregon Homeland Security Council created under ORS 401.109; 19 and
- 20 (e) Any other individuals with expertise in public safety issues designated by the Gover-21 nor or the task force.
 - (3) The task force shall:
- 23 (a) Review the sources and types of public and private moneys and other resources that 24 are used to support public safety and security in this state;
 - (b) Assess the value of existing taxes, fees and other state and federal moneys and eval-

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uate the outcomes resulting from these funding sources; and

- (c) Make recommendations to the Legislative Assembly for the design and implementation of a strategic resources structure and system necessary to respond to future public safety and security needs in this state.
- (4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
- (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting members of the task force.
 - (6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
- (7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.
- (8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.
 - (9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.
- (10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to public safety no later than December 15, 2026.
- (11) The Oregon Department of Emergency Management shall provide staff support to the task force.
- (12) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Legislative Policy and Research Director for purposes of the task force.
- (13) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the task force in the performance of the duties of the task force and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force consider necessary to perform their duties.
 - SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on December 31, 2026.
- <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect on its passage.

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