## House Bill 3756

Sponsored by Representative NOSSE

## **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 creates the Task Force on Electromagnetic Weapons to study the usage of those kinds of weapons in this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).

Establishes the Task Force on Electromagnetic Weapons to study the usage of electromagnetic weapons in this state and identify gaps in Oregon law that need to be revised to address such usage. Requires the task force to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary no later than December 1, 2026.

Sunsets December 31, 2026.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to electromagnetic weapons.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Electromagnetic Weapons is established.
- 5 (2) The Attorney General shall appoint to the task force 11 members who are experts in one or more of the following fields:
  - (a) Electromagnetic weaponry;
- 8 (b) Criminal justice; and
  - (c) Mental health.

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- (3) The task force shall investigate usage of electromagnetic weapons in this state and identify any gaps in the laws of this state regarding the usage of these devices and potential revisions to the laws of this state that would address those gaps.
- (4) The task force may make recommendations for legislation designed to ensure that the laws of this state effectively regulate the usage of electromagnetic weapons.
- (5) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
- (6) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members of the task force.
- (7) The Attorney General shall select one member of the task force to serve as chairperson and another to serve as vice chairperson, for the terms and with the duties and powers necessary for the performance of the functions of the offices as the Attorney General determines.
- (8) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the Attorney General shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.
- (9) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or of a majority of the members of the task force.
  - (10) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.
  - (11) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and may

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- include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary no later than December 1, 2026.
- (12) Members of the task force serve as volunteers on the task force and, unless they are qualified members, as defined in ORS 292.495, are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses.
- (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 information and advice the members of the task force consider necessary to perform their duties.
- (14) As used in this section, "electromagnetic weapon" means a device that does, or that was designed to, emit or radiate an electronic or electromagnetic pulse, current, beam, signal or microwave intended to cause harm to others or cause damage to, destroy or disrupt any electronic or telecommunications system or device, including, but not limited to, a computer, computer network or computer system.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on December 31, 2026.

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