House Bill 3931

Sponsored by Representatives NGUYEN D, DOBSON

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: Makes a task force to evaluate ways to create a web portal for people to apply for and receive common types of licenses, ID cards and other permits. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).

Establishes the E-Oregon Task Force for the purposes of evaluating potential solutions and methods for creating a coordinated electronic portal or portals that create a common pathway for residents of this state to apply for and receive licenses, registrations, certifications, identification cards and other credentials or permits necessary for engaging in business or other common transactions in this state.

Requires the identified solution to organize and reduce the complexity of interactions with state and local agencies that are now required to engage in business or undertake many common tasks that require official permission, grouping similar or related tasks into straightforward and streamlined procedures and protecting and enhancing information security and privacy where appropriate. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to efficient operations for interactions between residents of this state and government agencies; and declaring an emergency.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) The E-Oregon Task Force is established.
 - (2) The task force consists of 17 members appointed as follows:
 - (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two nonvoting members from among members of the Senate, one from the majority caucus and one from a minority caucus.
 - (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two nonvoting members from among members of the House of Representatives, one from the majority caucus and one from a minority caucus.
 - (c) The Governor shall appoint 12 members as follows:
 - (A) One member who represents the Governor;
 - (B) The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, or a designee of the director;
 - (C) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, or a designee of the director;
 - (D) One member who represents large businesses that are headquartered in or have significant operations in this state;
 - (E) One member who represents established businesses of an intermediate size that are headquartered in or have significant operations in this state;
 - (F) One member who represents small businesses in this state;
- 23 (G) The executive director of the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, or a 24 designee of the executive director;
 - (H) One member who represents a labor organization in this state;

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- (I) One member who represents a county government in this state;
 - (J) One member who represents a city government in this state;
- (K) One member who represents students who attend an institution of higher education in this state; and
 - (L) One member with significant experience in information technology and web portal construction and maintenance.
 - (e) The Secretary of State shall appoint one member to represent the Secretary of State.
 - (3) The task force shall study and evaluate potential solutions and methods for creating a coordinated electronic portal or portals that create a common pathway for residents of this state to apply for and receive licenses, registrations, certifications, identification cards and other credentials or permits necessary for engaging in business or other common transactions in this state. The identified solution must:
 - (a) Organize and reduce the complexity of interactions with state and local agencies that are now required to engage in business or undertake many common tasks that require official permission;
 - (b) Group similar or related tasks into straightforward and streamlined procedures; and
 - (c) Protect and enhance information security and privacy where appropriate.
 - (4) The task force may:

- (a) Examine and evaluate available web-based solutions and electronic technology needed to establish the system described in subsection (3) of this section;
 - (b) Evaluate systems established in other states for the same purpose;
- (c) Require state agencies and local governments to submit information about the various permits and credentials required to engage in business in or under the jurisdiction of the agency or local government;
 - (d) Solicit and hear testimony;
- (e) Invite other persons with relevant responsibilities, expertise or knowledge to join the task force or attend task force meetings, if a majority of the task force votes to extend an invitation and if the Governor approves the invitation; and
- (f) Engage in any other activity reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes identified in subsection (3) of this section.
- (5) A majority of the voting 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 voting members of the task force.
- (7) The Governor 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 Governor determines.
- (8) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority 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 voting 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 by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to government operations no later than December 15, 2026.

- (12) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall provide staff support to the task force.
- (13) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.
- (14) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly 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.
- (15)(a) 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.
- (b) All state agencies that issue permits, licenses, registrations, certifications or identification cards or credentials shall compile a listing or catalog of all such documents or permits and forward the listing or compilation to the task force within 90 days after the task force issues a request to the agency for a listing or catalog.
- (16) All appointments to the task force made under subsection (1) of this section must be completed by 90 days after adjournment sine die of the 2025 session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly.
- (17) The task force shall have its first meeting on or before 91 days after adjournment sine die of the 2025 session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly.
 - 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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