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Requested by Representative DIEHL

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2425

1 On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, line 3, delete "prescribing an effective 2 date" and insert "declaring an emergency".

3 Delete lines 5 through 22 and delete page 2 and insert:

4 "SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Ethical Procurement is estab5 lished.

6 "(2) The task force consists of 11 members appointed as follows:

7 "(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two nonvoting
8 members from among members of the Senate.

9 "(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two
10 nonvoting members from among members of the House of Represen11 tatives.

12 "(c) The Governor shall appoint seven members as follows:

13 "(A) A representative from the office of the Governor;

"(B) The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative
 Services, or a designee;

16 "(C) The Director of Transportation, or a designee;

17 "(D) The State Parks and Recreation Director, or a designee;

18 "(E) The State Forester, or a designee;

"(F) The Director of the State Department of Energy, or a designee;
 and

21 "(G) The Director of the Department of Corrections, or a designee.

1 "(3)(a) The task force shall devise methods for:

"(A) Verifying the identities of manufacturers, distributors, vendors
or suppliers of products that public bodies procure in this state, with
particular emphasis on electric vehicles, solar photovoltaic energy
systems and other electric products; and

6 "(B) Ensuring that public bodies in this state do not procure pro-7 ducts, including electric vehicles, solar photovoltaic energy systems 8 or other electric products, whether completely assembled and finished 9 or as new or replacement parts or components, in which production, 10 including the mining of constituent materials and sourcing of parts, 11 assembly, transportation or sale of the products used or involved 12 forced labor or oppressive child labor.

13 "(b) As used in paragraph (a) of this subsection:

14 "(A) 'Electric products' means products that use electricity to 15 function and that, in the determination of the task force, require an 16 assessment of whether the production, assembly, transportation or 17 sale of the products involved forced labor or oppressive child labor.

"(B) 'Electric vehicle' means a motor vehicle that uses for propul sion electricity drawn from a battery that may be recharged from an
 external source of electricity.

"(C) 'Forced labor' means work or service that an individual does
 involuntarily and:

23 "(i) Under compulsion from:

"(I) Force, fraud or coercion, including by a threat of serious harm
to, or physical restraint of, the individual or a threat of serious harm
to, or physical restraint of, another person; or

27 "(II) An abuse or threatened abuse of the law or legal process;

28 "(ii) That constitutes oppressive child labor;

"(iii) That is uncompensated or extremely low paying, involves ex cessively long hours or is unusually risky or hazardous; or

"(iv) That is assigned to or required from the individual on the basis
of the individual's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or membership in another class that is recognized and protected by law.

5 "(D) 'Oppressive child labor' means work that employs a child that 6 is 14 years of age or younger and is hazardous for children.

"(E) 'Public body' means the state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, local government, as defined in ORS 174.116, a special government body, as defined in ORS 174.117, the Oregon State Bar, the Oregon Health and Science University and any intergovernmental entity formed between or among any of the entities listed in this subparagraph.

"(F) 'Solar photovoltaic energy system' has the meaning given that
 term in ORS 757.360.

"(4)(a) In carrying out the purposes identified in subsection (3) of
 this section, the task force shall:

"(A) Review solutions and best practices that are available from
 public and private entities and devise other solutions if necessary;

"(B) Identify obstacles and challenges and recommend methods for
 overcoming the obstacles and challenges;

"(C) Evaluate evidence of the effectiveness of existing solutions and
 best practices and recommend the most effective solutions or prac tices;

²⁴ "(D) Devise criteria for testing the effectiveness of new solutions;

"(E) Identify needed technologies, processes or other resources; and
"(F) Investigate, evaluate and predict how implementing the solutions and best practices that the task force recommends will affect
the procurement practices of public bodies and the availability of
goods and services for public procurement, including electric vehicles,
solar photovoltaic energy systems and other electric products.

1 "(b) The task force may take testimony, conduct studies, consult 2 experts, require public bodies in this state to produce reports or other 3 materials to aid in the task force's investigations and otherwise en-4 gage in activities needed to carry out the purposes described in sub-5 section (3) of this section.

6 "(5) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes 7 a quorum for the transaction of business.

8 "(6) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a
9 majority of the voting members of the task force.

10 "(7)(a) The Governor shall select one member of the task force to 11 serve as chairperson and another to serve as vice chairperson, for the 12 terms and with the duties and powers necessary for the performance 13 of the functions of the offices as the Governor determines.

"(b) A majority of the voting members of the task force, with the
 approval of the Governor, may appoint additional members to the task
 force as needed to carry out the work of the task force.

"(8) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority
 shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

19 "(9) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the 20 call of the chairperson or of a majority of the voting members of the 21 task force, but shall meet at least once each month during the period 22 in which the task force is active.

"(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 public
procurement no later than December 15, 2026.

"(12) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall pro vide 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.

8 "(15) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, 9 are directed to assist the task force in the performance of the duties 10 of the task force and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to 11 confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the 12 task force consider necessary to perform their duties.

"(16) All appointments to the task force made under subsection (2)
 of this section must be completed by the later of 90 days after
 adjournment sine die of the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third
 Legislative Assembly or September 30, 2025.

"(17) The task force shall have its first meeting on or before the
later of 91 days after adjournment sine die of the 2025 regular session
of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly or October 15, 2025.

"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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