

# House Bill 2219

Sponsored by Representative GREENLICK; Representatives NATHANSON, NOSSE, WITT (Pre-session filed.)

## SUMMARY

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Creates Task Force on Extending the Westside Express Service Commuter Line to Salem.  
Sunsets December 31, 2020.  
Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to the Task Force on Extending the Westside Express Service Commuter Line to Salem;  
3 and prescribing an effective date.

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

5 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Extending the Westside Express Service Commuter**  
6 **Line to Salem is established.**

7 **(2) The task force consists of 17 members appointed as follows:**

8 **(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the**  
9 **Senate, neither of whom may be from the same political party.**

10 **(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among**  
11 **members of the House of Representatives, neither of whom may be from the same political**  
12 **party.**

13 **(c) The Governor shall appoint 11 members as follows:**

14 **(A) One member who is the Representative of the Fifth Congressional District of Oregon**  
15 **or the Representative's designee.**

16 **(B) One member who is the mayor of Beaverton or the designee of the mayor of**  
17 **Beaverton.**

18 **(C) One member who is the mayor of Wilsonville or the designee of the mayor of**  
19 **Wilsonville.**

20 **(D) One member who is the mayor of Keizer or the designee of the mayor of Keizer.**

21 **(E) One member who is the mayor of Salem or the designee of the mayor of Salem.**

22 **(F) One member who is a representative of Salem-Keizer Transit, and who shall be**  
23 **nominated by the Board of Directors of Salem-Keizer Transit.**

24 **(G) One member who is the mayor of Donald or the designee of the mayor of Donald.**

25 **(H) One member who is the mayor of Woodburn or the designee of the mayor of**  
26 **Woodburn.**

27 **(I) One member who is a representative of the Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation**  
28 **District of Oregon.**

29 **(J) One member who is a representative of the Washington County governing body.**

30 **(K) One member who is a representative of the Marion County governing body.**

31 **(d) The Director of Transportation shall appoint two members as follows:**

**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.

1 (A) One member who represents the Portland and Western Railroad, and who shall be  
2 appointed by the Director of Transportation from a list of persons submitted to the Depart-  
3 ment of Transportation by the Portland and Western Railroad.

4 (B) One member who is the administrator of the rail division of the department.

5 (3) The task force may:

6 (a) Identify the actions that are necessary to extend the Westside Express Service  
7 commuter line to Salem;

8 (b) Research the need for an extension of the Westside Express Service commuter line;  
9 and

10 (c) Evaluate the results of the research described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this sub-  
11 section.

12 (4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the  
13 transaction of business.

14 (5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting  
15 members of the task force.

16 (6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.

17 (7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-  
18 ment to become immediately effective.

19 (8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson  
20 or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.

21 (9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

22 (10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and  
23 may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative  
24 Assembly related to transportation no later than September 15, 2020.

25 (11) The Department of Transportation shall provide staff support to the task force.

26 (12) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting  
27 members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.

28 (13) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not  
29 entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task  
30 force.

31 (14) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist  
32 the task force in the performance of the task force's duties and, to the extent permitted by  
33 laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the task  
34 force consider necessary to perform their duties.

35 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2019 Act is repealed on December 31, 2020.

36 SECTION 3. This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2019  
37 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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