House Bill 2239

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SUMMARY

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Establishes Task Force on Energy Efficient Building Codes. Sunsets task force on December 31, 2018. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to energy efficient building codes; and declaring an emergency.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Energy Efficient Building Codes is established, consisting of five members appointed by the Governor. The Governor shall appoint to the task force persons who have expertise in building construction, energy efficiency or carbon impacts.
 - (2) The task force shall study matters related to achieving progressive improvements in energy efficiency in newly constructed buildings, including but not limited to potential revisions to the state building code framework. The task force shall conduct the study for the purpose of identifying potential means for facilitating cost-effective reductions in net carbon impact in newly constructed buildings.
 - (3) The task force may conduct hearings and take other actions the task force considers necessary and proper to carry out the work of the task force.
 - (4) A majority of the 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 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 Governor 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 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 in ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to environmental issues no later than September 15, 2018.
 - (11) The Department of Consumer and Business Services shall provide staff support to the task force.
 - (12) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

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.

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(13) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the task force in the performance of 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.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on December 31, 2018.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.