House Bill 2494

Sponsored by Representative SALINAS (Presession filed.)

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.**

Establishes legislative Task Force on the Impacts of COVID-19 on Health Care Delivery Systems to evaluate impacts of COVID-19 on health care delivery systems in this state. Sunsets December 31, 2022.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

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- 2 Relating to health care; and prescribing an effective date.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Task Force on the Impacts of COVID-19 on Health Care Delivery 5 Systems is established.
 - (2) The task force consists of six members appointed as follows:
 - (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint three members from among members of the Senate.
 - (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three members from among members of the House of Representatives.
 - (3) The task force shall evaluate the impacts of COVID-19 on the health care delivery systems in this state.
 - (4) The task force shall solicit public testimony and may subpoena witnesses or documents and may consult with health care industry experts and practitioners.
 - (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 task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
 - (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 members of the task force.
 - (10) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.
 - (11) The task force may presession file legislation in the manner provided in ORS 171.130 for interim committees. All legislation recommended by official action of the task force must indicate that it is introduced at the request of the task force.
 - (12) The task force shall report to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided in ORS 192.245 at any time within 30 days after its final meeting or at a time the President and Speaker designate.

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) The Legislative Policy and Research Director may employ persons necessary for the performance of the functions of the task force. The Legislative Policy and Research Director shall fix the duties and amounts of compensation of the employees. The task force shall use the services of continuing legislative staff, without employing additional persons, to the greatest extent practicable.
- (14) 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.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on December 31, 2022.

SECTION 3. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.
