SUMMARY

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Establishes [Board of] Work Group on Commercial Interior Design. [Requires person to register with board on or after January 1, 2015, to practice commercial interior design.] Directs work group to investigate, and allows work group to make recommendations for legislation on, development of standards for practicing commercial interior design.

[Authorizes civil penalties and other sanctions for violation of provisions relating to regulation of commercial interior design.]

[Establishes Board of Commercial Interior Design Fund and continuously appropriates moneys in fund to board.]

Sunsets on date of convening of 2015 regular session of Legislative Assembly.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to commercial interior design; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Work Group on Commercial Interior Design Registration is established, consisting of the following 10 members appointed by the Governor:

(a) A member who represents Interior Design Collaborative-Oregon from among individuals nominated by Interior Design Collaborative-Oregon;

(b) A member who represents the International Interior Design Association, and who specializes in commercial interior design, from among individuals nominated by the International Interior Design Association;

(c) A member who represents the American Society of Interior Designers, and who specializes in residential interior design, from among individuals nominated by the American Society of Interior Designers;

(d) A member who represents the State Board of Architect Examiners;

(e) A member who represents the State Landscape Architect Board;

(f) A member who represents the State Board of Examiners for Engineering and Land Surveying;

(g) A member who is a contractor as defined in ORS 701.005;

(h) A member who is a building official as defined in ORS 455.715;

(i) A member who is a student or educator in the field of commercial interior design; and

(j) A member who is a small business owner who is engaged in the practice of commercial interior design and who has not passed the National Council for Interior Design Qualification
examination.

(2) The work group shall investigate, and may make recommendations for legislation on, the development of licensing or registration standards for those practicing commercial interior design.

(3) A majority of the members of the work group constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(4) Official action by the work group requires the approval of a majority of the members of the work group.

(5) The work group shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.

(6) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the Governor shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

(7) The work group shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or of a majority of the members of the work group.

(8) The work group may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the work group.

(9) The work group 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 small business no later than February 1, 2015.

(10) Members of the work group are not entitled to compensation and may not be reimbursed for travel or other expenses.

(11) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the work group in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the work group consider necessary to perform their duties.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2014 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the 2015 regular session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.

SECTION 3. This 2014 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2014 Act takes effect on its passage.