

# House Bill 2787

Sponsored by Representative PARRISH (Pre-session 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 Task Force on Voter Inactivation and Voter Registration Maintenance. Directs task force to study how to prevent erroneous voter registration inactivation and improve accuracy of voter registration information maintenance. Requires task force to report to appropriate joint interim committee of Legislative Assembly.

Sunsets task force on date of convening of 2016 regular session of Legislative Assembly.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to voting integrity; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Voter Inactivation and Voter Registration Maintenance is established, consisting of nine members as follows:**

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6 (a) **The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
7 **Senate.**

8 (b) **The Senate Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
9 **Senate.**

10 (c) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among**  
11 **members of the House of Representatives.**

12 (d) **The House Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**  
13 **House of Representatives.**

14 (e) **The Governor shall appoint:**

15 (A) **One citizen member from a rural community; and**

16 (B) **Three citizen members from the population at large.**

17 (f) **The Secretary of State or the secretary's designee.**

18 (2) **The task force shall study how to:**

19 (a) **Prevent the inadvertent or incorrect designation of an elector's voter registration as**  
20 **inactive; and**

21 (b) **Increase the accuracy of the registration information maintained for each elector.**

22 (3) **A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**  
23 **of business.**

24 (4) **Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**  
25 **of the task force.**

26 (5) **The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.**

27 (6) **If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-**  
28 **ment to become immediately effective.**

29 (7) **The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson**

**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 or of a majority of the members of the task force.

2 (8) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

3 (9) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may  
4 include recommendations for legislation, to a joint interim committee of the Legislative As-  
5 sembly related to elections no later than September 15, 2015.

6 (10) The Secretary of State shall provide staff support to the task force.

7 (11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not  
8 entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other  
9 expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and  
10 amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions  
11 of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Secretary of State for pur-  
12 poses of the task force.

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

17 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the 2016  
18 regular session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.

19 **SECTION 3.** This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
20 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect  
21 on its passage.

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