

# House Bill 2459

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## 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 Brownfields Tax Credits. Directs task force to study, evaluate and make recommendations concerning brownfields tax credits. Directs task force to report findings and recommendations to Senate and House interim committees on revenue on or before December 1, 2018.

Sunsetts task force on December 31, 2020.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to brownfields; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Brownfields Tax Credits is established, consisting of**  
5 **11 members appointed as follows:**

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

8 (b) **The Speaker of the House shall appoint one member from among the members of the**  
9 **House of Representatives; and**

10 (c) **The Governor shall appoint nine members as follows:**

11 (A) **One representative of a community organization;**

12 (B) **One representative from the environmental advocacy community;**

13 (C) **One real estate developer with experience redeveloping brownfields properties;**

14 (D) **One representative from the business community;**

15 (E) **One landowner of brownfields property;**

16 (F) **One brownfields cleanup consultant;**

17 (G) **One representative of an urban local government;**

18 (H) **One representative of a rural local government; and**

19 (I) **One representative from the public health community.**

20 (2) **The task force shall study, evaluate and make recommendations concerning:**

21 (a) **The viability, impacts and effectiveness of a brownfields tax credit statewide and as**  
22 **applicable to particular brownfields locations;**

23 (b) **Optimal ways to structure a tax credit to target sites that may not otherwise be de-**  
24 **veloped without the aid of a tax credit; and**

25 (c) **Potential funding mechanisms for a brownfields tax credit and other statewide in-**  
26 **centives, including but not limited to analysis of other states' funding mechanisms and re-**  
27 **venue sources used for brownfields remediation work.**

28 (3) **A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**

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

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

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

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

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

10 (9) The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Senate and House  
11 interim committees on revenue on or before December 1, 2018, and at any time thereafter  
12 may report to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided in ORS 192.245

13 (10) The Legislative Revenue Officer shall provide staff and administrative support to the  
14 task force. At the request of the Legislative Revenue Officer, the Oregon Business Develop-  
15 ment Department and the Department of Environmental Quality shall assist the task force  
16 in the performance of the work of the task force.

17 (11) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist  
18 the task force in the performance of the duties of the task force and, to the extent permitted  
19 by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish the information and advice the members of the  
20 task force consider necessary to perform their duties.

21 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on December 31, 2020.

22 **SECTION 3.** This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2017  
23 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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