

# House Bill 2863

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

## SUMMARY

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Creates Oregon National Guard Health Insurance Task Force.  
Sunsets on date of convening of next regular biennial legislative session.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to Oregon National Guard Health Insurance Task Force; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) There is created the Oregon National Guard Health Insurance Task Force**  
5 **consisting of 12 members appointed as follows:**

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

8 (b) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among**  
9 **members of the House of Representatives.**

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

11 (A) **Two representatives of the Oregon Military Department;**

12 (B) **Two representatives of public employers;**

13 (C) **Two representatives of private employers; and**

14 (D) **Two representatives of insurance carriers.**

15 (2) **The task force shall study and make recommendations on providing and expanding**  
16 **health insurance coverage to members of the Oregon National Guard who are on active fed-**  
17 **eral duty and their dependents.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

28 (9) **The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-**  
29 **lation, to an interim committee related to veterans' services no later than October 1, 2006.**

30 (10) **The Oregon Military Department shall provide staff support to the task force.**

31 (11) **Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed**

**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 for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of  
2 their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for ex-  
3 penses shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Oregon Military Department for that  
4 purpose.

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

9 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2005 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the next  
10 regular biennial legislative session.

11 **SECTION 3.** This 2005 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
12 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2005 Act takes effect  
13 on its passage.

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