

Senate Bill 689

Sponsored by Senator WALKER, Representative ROSENBAUM

SUMMARY

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Creates Oregon Cervical Cancer Elimination 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 cervical cancer; appropriating money; 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 Cervical Cancer Elimination Task Force**
5 **consisting of 18 members appointed as follows:**

6 (a) **The President of the Senate shall appoint:**

7 (A) **One person from among members of the Senate;**

8 (B) **One person who represents a women's health organization;**

9 (C) **One person who is a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics;**

10 (D) **A licensed teacher; and**

11 (E) **Two persons from the general public who have an interest in women's health issues.**

12 (b) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint:**

13 (A) **One person from among members of the House of Representatives;**

14 (B) **One person from the American Cancer Society;**

15 (C) **One person from the health insurance industry;**

16 (D) **One person who is a member of the American College of Obstetricians and**
17 **Gynecologists; and**

18 (E) **Two persons from the general public who have an interest in women's health issues.**

19 (c) **The Governor shall appoint:**

20 (A) **A person who is a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians;**

21 (B) **A person from the Department of Human Services who has experience in public**
22 **health issues;**

23 (C) **Two persons from the general public with an interest in women's health issues;**

24 (D) **A person who is a news director at a newspaper or television or radio station; and**

25 (E) **A licensed registered nurse.**

26 (2) **Each appointing authority under subsection (1) of this section shall ensure, to the**
27 **extent possible, that its appointees represent the population of Oregon with regard to ethnic,**
28 **racial, age and religious composition.**

29 (3) **The task force shall:**

30 (a) **Undertake a statistical and qualitative examination of the prevalence and burden of**
31 **cervical cancer among women in Oregon;**

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 **(b) Study ways to raise public awareness about the causes and nature of cervical cancer,**
2 **personal risk factors, the value of prevention, early detection, options for testing, treatment**
3 **costs, new technology and medical care reimbursement;**

4 **(c) Identify new technologies or newly introduced vaccines that may be effective in pre-**
5 **venting and controlling the risk of cervical cancer;**

6 **(d) Identify and examine the limitations of existing laws, regulations, programs and ser-**
7 **vices with regard to coverage and awareness of issues about cervical cancer and coverage**
8 **for Pap smears in accordance with American Cancer Society guidelines;**

9 **(e) Develop a statewide comprehensive Cervical Cancer Prevention Plan and strategies**
10 **for implementing and promoting the plan to the general public, state and local officials,**
11 **public and private organizations and businesses;**

12 **(f) Identify strategies to facilitate specific commitments to help implement the Cervical**
13 **Cancer Prevention Plan;**

14 **(g) Facilitate coordination of and communication among state and local agencies and or-**
15 **ganizations regarding current or future involvement in achieving the aims of the task force;**
16 **and**

17 **(h) Receive and consider reports and testimony from individuals, local health depart-**
18 **ments and health organizations to learn more about their contributions to cervical cancer**
19 **prevention, diagnosis and treatment.**

20 **(4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**
21 **of business.**

22 **(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**
23 **of the task force.**

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

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

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

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

30 **(10) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-**
31 **lation, to an interim committee on health issues no later than October 1, 2006.**

32 **(11) The Department of Human Services shall provide staff support to the task force.**

33 **(12) Notwithstanding ORS 171.072, members of the task force who are members of the**
34 **Legislative Assembly are not entitled to mileage expenses or a per diem and serve as volun-**
35 **teers on the task force. Other members of the task force are not entitled to compensation**
36 **or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.**

37 **(13) The Department of Human Services may accept contributions of moneys and assist-**
38 **ance from the United States Government or its agencies or from any other source, public**
39 **or private, and agree to conditions placed on the moneys not inconsistent with the duties of**
40 **the task force.**

41 **(14) All moneys received by the Department of Human Services under subsection (13) this**
42 **section shall be paid into the State Treasury and deposited in the General Fund to the credit**
43 **of the department. The moneys are continuously appropriated to the department for the**
44 **purposes of carrying out the duties of the task force.**

45 **(15) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist**

1 the task force in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating
2 to confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force
3 consider necessary to perform their duties.

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

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

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