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Senate Bill 622

Sponsored by Senator JOHNSON, Representative WITT (at the request of Marie Gadotti)

AN ACT

Relating to geese; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1)(a) There is created the Task Force on Geese Control.
   (b) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint one member from among members of the Legislative Assembly to serve as members of the task force.
   (c) The State Fish and Wildlife Director shall appoint nine members to the task force who represent the interests of this state and federal, aviation, agricultural, conservationist and academic interests.
   (2) The purpose of the task force is to study issues raised by the increasing number of various species of geese in Oregon and to make recommendations regarding opportunities to control the geese population and its impacts pursuant to applicable state and federal laws.
   (3) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall provide staff support to the task force.
   (4) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the task force 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 task force consider necessary to perform their duties.
   (5) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
   (6) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members of the task force.
   (7) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
   (8) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim legislative committees related to environment and natural resources on or before November 1, 2010.
   (9) Notwithstanding ORS 171.072, members of the task force who are members of the Legislative Assembly are not entitled to mileage expenses or a per diem and serve as volunteers on the task force. Other members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2009 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the next regular biennial legislative session.
SECTION 3. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect on its passage.

Passed by Senate April 2, 2009

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Secretary of Senate

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President of Senate

Passed by House May 20, 2009

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Speaker of House

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Governor

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