



Truth in Labeling Task Force Responsibilities and Proposed Calendar

Section 36 of the Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act (SB 582) establishes and outlines the work of the Truth in Labeling Task Force. An overview of this information is provided below.

Members

The task force consists of 15 members appointed as follows:

The Governor shall appoint the following members:

- Five members to represent producers.
- Three members to represent local governments of different population sizes and geographic locations in this state.
- Four members to represent the recycling industry, including local governments' service providers and processors from different population sizes and geographic locations in this state.
- One member to represent the interests of environmental organizations.

There are also two nonvoting members of the Legislature who act in an advisory capacity only: one Senator and one Representative assigned by the respective leader of each body.

The task force shall study and evaluate misleading or confusing claims regarding the recyclability of products made on a product or product packaging. The study must include consideration of issues affecting accessibility for diverse audiences. Additional requirements according to SB 582:

- The task force shall submit a final report and recommendations for legislation in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than June 1, 2022.
- A majority of the voting members of the task force constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting members of the task force.
- The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.
- If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.
- The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or a majority of the voting members of the task force.
- The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.
- The Department of Environmental Quality shall provide staff support to the task force.

Draft Calendar

Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22
Meeting	Meeting*	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting(s)	6/1/2022 report due
Set meeting schedules Decide on decision-making procedures and community agreements DEQ background presentation Election and assignment of roles	Short legislative session. Meeting agenda TBD by Task Force	Discuss Issues Meeting agenda TBD by Task Force	Work toward recommendations Review draft report Meeting agenda TBD by Task Force	Review final report Meeting(s) agenda TBD by Task Force	Submit the final report and accompanying two-pager to the Legislature and required committees.

Alternate formats

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