
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4407

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1 WHEREAS, Many residents of the State of Washington work at jobs
2 located in Oregon and many residents of the State of Oregon work at
3 jobs located in Washington; and

4 WHEREAS, These workers contribute significantly to the vitality of
5 the Washington and Oregon economies; and

6 WHEREAS, The states of Washington and Oregon have chosen greatly
7 different tax systems; and

8 WHEREAS, Equitable treatment of citizens, whether citizens of
9 Washington or Oregon, is a fundamental value respected by the
10 legislatures of Washington and Oregon;

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives,
12 the Senate concurring, That a Washington and Oregon joint select
13 committee be established to review the contribution Washington
14 residents make to the Oregon economy, the contribution Oregon residents
15 make to the Washington economy, the amount of taxes paid by Washington
16 residents to Oregon, the amount of taxes paid by Oregon residents to
17 Washington, the cost of services provided to Washington residents by
18 Oregon, and the cost of services provided to Oregon residents by
19 Washington; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee consist of eight
21 legislators representing districts bordering Oregon, with four members

1 of the Senate, two from the largest caucus and two from the next
2 largest caucus, to be appointed by the President of the Senate; and
3 four members of the House of Representatives, two from each of the two
4 largest caucuses, to be appointed by the Co-Speakers of the House of
5 Representatives; and four members of the public representing areas
6 bordering Oregon, two appointed by the President of the Senate and two
7 appointed by the Co-Speakers of the House of Representatives; and that
8 the legislature of Oregon be requested to similarly select twelve
9 members; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Co-Speakers of the House of
11 Representatives and the President of the Senate shall designate
12 Washington cochairs of the committee, the expenses of the Washington
13 committee members shall be paid by the legislature under chapter 44.04
14 RCW, staff support for the committee shall be provided by Senate
15 committee services and the House of Representatives office of program
16 research as mutually agreed by the cochairs of the joint select
17 committee, and the committee may also use the research services
18 provided to the legislature by the department of revenue under RCW
19 82.01.060(4); and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee meet at least twice and
21 that the members representing the state of Washington shall report to
22 the legislature by the beginning of the regular legislative session in
23 2002; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
25 immediately transmitted to the Honorable John Kitzhaber, Governor of
26 the State of Oregon, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the
27 House of Representatives of the State of Oregon, and each member of the
28 Legislature of the State of Oregon.

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