



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1032

LCO No. 3340

Referred to Committee on Commerce

Introduced by:
(CE)

AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF ENTERPRISE ZONES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 (a) There is established a task force to study enterprise zones and all
2 other programs that provide economic incentives to specific
3 geographic areas, including, but not limited to, programs for
4 enterprise corridor zones, targeted investment communities and public
5 investment communities. The task force shall examine the impact of
6 each program on the towns and the state and shall assess its
7 effectiveness on creating jobs, expanding the tax base and producing
8 other economic benefits.

9 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

10 (1) The cochairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
11 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
12 relating to commerce;

13 (2) One member appointed by the president pro tempore of the
14 Senate representing the Council of Small Towns;

15 (3) One appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives

16 representing the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities;

17 (4) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
18 or the designee of the commissioner;

19 (5) The Commissioner of Revenue Services or the designee of the
20 commissioner; and

21 (6) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.

22 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivisions (2)
23 and (3) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member of the
24 General Assembly.

25 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made no later than
26 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
27 filled by the appointing authority.

28 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
29 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task
30 force, from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons
31 shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held no
32 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

33 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
34 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce
35 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

36 (g) Not later than January 1, 2002, the task force shall submit a
37 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
38 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
39 relating to commerce, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-
40 4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date
41 that it submits such report or January 1, 2002, whichever is earlier.

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a task force to do a comprehensive study of the effectiveness of financial benefits and incentives distributed based on

geographic regions, such as enterprise zones, entertainment districts, targeted investment communities, public investment communities and enterprise corridor zones.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]