



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 6362

House of Representatives, March 10, 2003

The Committee on Public Health reported through REP. FELTMAN of the 6th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A RED RIBBON INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE ON HIV AND AIDS.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a red ribbon
2 interagency task force on HIV and AIDS. The task force shall (1)
3 develop an integrated HIV and AIDS prevention services and care
4 plan, (2) determine how state dollars are allocated to HIV and AIDS
5 programs and services, (3) develop and recommend cost-effective
6 legislation or administrative regulations, or both, for programs,
7 policies or procedures that help people living with HIV and AIDS and
8 help to prevent the spread of HIV and AIDS, (4) review and integrate
9 into the HIV and AIDS prevention service and care plan funding
10 recommendations made by the Ryan White Title I Planning Council of
11 New Haven and Fairfield County, the Ryan White Title I Planning
12 Council of Hartford, Middlesex and Tolland Counties and the
13 Connecticut HIV Prevention Community Planning Group.

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

15 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
16 one of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut Positive
17 Action Coalition and one of whom shall be a person with HIV or AIDS;

18 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one
19 of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut AIDS Residence
20 Coalition and one of whom shall be a person with HIV or AIDS;

21 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
22 Representatives, who shall be a representative of the Harm Reduction
23 Coalition;

24 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be
25 affiliated with a needle exchange program in Connecticut;

26 (5) Two appointed by the minority leader of the House of
27 Representatives, one of whom shall be a representative of the
28 Connecticut HIV Prevention Community Planning Group and one of
29 whom shall be a representative of the Center for Interdisciplinary
30 Research on AIDS;

31 (6) Three appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, one of
32 whom shall be a representative of the Ryan White Title I Planning
33 Council of Hartford, Middlesex and Tolland County, one of whom
34 shall be a representative of the Ryan White Title I Planning Council of
35 New Haven and Fairfield Counties and one of whom shall be a
36 representative of the New Haven Mayor's Task Force on AIDS;

37 (7) The Commissioners of Public Health, Social Services, Correction
38 and Mental Health and Addiction Services, or their designees;

39 (8) The chairpersons of the African-American Affairs Commission,
40 the Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission, and the Permanent
41 Commission on the Status of Women, or their designees;

42 (9) The chairperson of the Advisory Commission on Multicultural

43 Health, or the chairperson's designee;

44 (10) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the
45 secretary's designee; and

46 (11) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General
47 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, or
48 their designees.

49 (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made no later than
50 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
51 filled by the appointing authority.

52 (d) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
53 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
54 health shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

55 (e) Not later than January 1, 2004, the task force shall submit a
56 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
57 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
58 relating to appropriations, public health and human services, in
59 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.
60 The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or
61 January 1, 2004, whichever is earlier.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	from passage

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In subdivision (8) of subsection (b), the full titles of the Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission and the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women were added for accuracy.

PH Joint Favorable Subst.-LCO

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Type	FY 04 \$	FY 05 \$
Legislative Mgmt.	GF - Cost	Potential Minimal	Potential Minimal
Social Services, Dept.; Public Health, Dept.; Policy & Mgmt., Off.; Correction, Dept.; Mental Health & Addiction Serv., Dept.	GF	None	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill establishes a red ribbon task force on HIV and AIDS to study a variety of issues make recommendations to the General Assembly by January 1, 2004. The bill appoints the commissioners of Public Health, Social Services, Correction and Mental Health and Addiction Services, or their designees to the task force, which will have no fiscal impact on these agencies.

To the extent that members of the General Assembly are appointed to the task force, the Joint Committee on Legislative Management will incur a minimal cost. A total cost of less than \$2,000 may result from mileage reimbursement to legislators in traveling to and from the capitol, which can be handled within the anticipated budgetary resources of the department. The bill requires the Public Health Committee staff to serve as the administrative staff for the task force, which may result in a workload reallocation.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 20 Nay 0