



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 101

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Substitute House Bill No. 6691

House of Representatives, March 30, 2005

The Committee on Planning and Development reported through REP. WALLACE of the 109th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY UNFUNDED MANDATES.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) There is established a Municipal
2 Relief Task Force. The task force shall review all existing unfunded
3 state mandates on municipalities and school districts to determine the
4 necessity of such mandates and whether or not the burden placed on
5 municipalities and school districts by such mandates can be reduced or
6 eliminated. The task force shall also review state mandates on
7 municipalities and school districts that are partially funded.

8 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members: (1) One
9 appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall
10 be from a municipality with a population of more than seventy-five
11 thousand; (2) one appointed by the minority leader of the House of
12 Representatives, who shall be from a municipality with a population of

13 less than ten thousand; (3) one appointed by the president pro tempore
 14 of the Senate, who shall be from a municipality with a population of
 15 more than twenty thousand but less than seventy-five thousand; (4)
 16 one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be from
 17 a municipality with a population of less than twenty thousand; (5) four
 18 appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be selected by the
 19 Governor to be the chairperson; (6) a representative of the Connecticut
 20 Conference of Municipalities, who shall be appointed by said
 21 conference; (7) a representative of the Council of Small Towns who
 22 shall be appointed by said council; and (8) a representative of the
 23 Connecticut Association of Boards of Education who shall be
 24 appointed by said association.

25 (c) The task force shall report, in accordance with section 11-4a of
 26 the general statutes, its findings to the Governor and the General
 27 Assembly no later than January 1, 2006.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2005	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Subsec. (c), after "report" the phrase "in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes" was added for consistency with the general statutes.

PD *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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-Effect	FY 06 \$	FY 07 \$
Legislative Mgmt.	GF - Cost	Potential Minimal	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill establishes a Municipal Relief Task Force to review all existing unfunded mandates on municipalities and school districts, and partially funded mandates on school districts, and report such findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2006. If legislators are appointed to the task force, Legislative Management may incur minimal costs for legislator mileage reimbursement. It is anticipated that any municipal officials or employees appointed to the task force would only serve to the extent that such participation would be within the municipality's normal budgetary resources.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

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