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(As Amended)

**"AN ACT CONCERNING RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES OPERATED  
BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES."**

1      Insert the following after the last period in subsection (a) of section  
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3      "No plan may be submitted under this section until after the date  
4      the task force established in section 501 of this act submits its report to  
5      the General Assembly."

6      After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
7      internal references accordingly:

8      "Sec. 501. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force  
9      to study (1) the functions performed by the Department of Children  
10     and Families, and (2) options for assigning responsibility for certain  
11     functions of the department to other state agencies.

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

- 13 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 14 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 15 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
16 Representatives;
- 17 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 18 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
19 Representatives;
- 20 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; and
- 21 (7) The chairpersons, vice-chairpersons and ranking members of (A)  
22 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
23 cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary, appropriations and  
24 human services, and (B) the select committee of the General Assembly  
25 having cognizance of matters relating to children.
- 26 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),  
27 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member  
28 of the General Assembly.
- 29 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made no later than  
30 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be  
31 filled by the appointing authority.
- 32 (e) The president pro tempore of the Senate may serve as  
33 chairperson of the task force. If the president pro tempore does not  
34 elect to serve as chairperson of the task force, the speaker of the House  
35 of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall  
36 jointly select a chairperson. The chairperson shall schedule the first  
37 meeting of the task force, which shall be held no later than sixty days  
38 after the effective date of this section.
- 39 (f) The administrative staff of the select committee of the General  
40 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children shall serve

41 as administrative staff of the task force.

42 (g) Not later than January 1, 2007, the task force shall submit a  
43 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
44 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
45 relating to the judiciary, appropriations and human services, and the  
46 select committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
47 matters relating to children, in accordance with the provisions of  
48 section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on  
49 the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2007, whichever is  
50 later."