



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 5888

House of Representatives, April 13, 2011

The Committee on Public Health reported through REP. RITTER, E. of the 38th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE TRANSFER FROM A LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM INTO A REGISTERED NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM.

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 task force
2 to study the feasibility of and issues concerning students enrolled in a
3 licensed practical nursing education program at a vocational-technical
4 school or private occupational school having the ability to earn college
5 credits that allow for, upon completion of such program, the direct
6 transfer into the second year of a registered nursing education
7 program at an institution of higher education in this state. Such study
8 shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of each such
9 nursing education program's curriculum and an evaluation of whether
10 such a direct transfer is practicable.

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

12 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

- 13 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 14 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
15 Representatives;
- 16 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 17 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
18 Representatives;
- 19 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 20 (7) The Commissioner of Higher Education, or the commissioner's
21 designee;
- 22 (8) Two persons appointed by the Governor;
- 23 (9) A representative of a licensed practical nursing education
24 program at a vocational-technical school, who shall be appointed by
25 the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 26 (10) A representative of a licensed practical nursing education
27 program at a private occupational school, who shall be appointed by
28 the majority leader of the House of Representatives;
- 29 (11) A representative of a registered nursing education program at
30 an institution of higher education in this state, appointed by the
31 president pro tempore of the Senate; and
- 32 (12) The director of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness.
- 33 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
34 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
35 of the General Assembly.
- 36 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
37 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
38 filled by the appointing authority.
- 39 (e) The director of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness shall be

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

| Agency Affected | Fund-Effect | FY 12 \$ |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Various State Agencies | GF - Cost | less than 5,000 |

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill establishes a task force to study the feasibility of and issues concerning students enrolled in a licensed practical nursing education program at a vocational-technical school or a private occupational school.

Agencies would incur minimal costs, estimated to be less than \$5,000, associated with mileage reimbursement of 51 cents per mile for legislators and agency staff (who seek such reimbursement) participating on the task force.

The Out Years

There is no impact in FY 13 as the task force is required to submit their report January 1, 2012.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 20 Nay 0 (03/15/2011)

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 28 Nay 0 (03/28/2011)