



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 6497

House of Representatives, March 27, 2013

The Committee on Children reported through REP. URBAN of the 43rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE ON THE MARKETING OF FIREARMS TO YOUNG CHILDREN.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2013*) (a) There is established a Task Force
2 on The Marketing of Firearms to Young Children. The task force shall
3 study the effects of the firearm industry's attempts to market firearms
4 to children and whether such marketing has contributed to a rise in
5 violence in the state. The task force shall consist of the following
6 members: (1) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or said
7 commissioner's designee, (2) the Commissioner of Social Services, or
8 said commissioner's designee, (3) the Commissioner of Correction, or
9 said commissioner's designee, (4) the executive director of the Court
10 Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch, or said executive
11 director's designee, (5) the Chief State's Attorney, or said Chief State's
12 Attorney's designee, (6) one member of the General Assembly
13 appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, (7) one member
14 of the General Assembly appointed by the speaker of the House of

15 Representatives, (8) one member of the General Assembly appointed
16 by the majority leader of the Senate, (9) one member of the General
17 Assembly appointed by the majority leader of the House of
18 Representatives, (10) one member of the General Assembly appointed
19 by the minority leader of the Senate, (11) one member of the General
20 Assembly appointed by the minority leader of the House of
21 Representatives, (12) one member designated by the Commission on
22 Children, (13) one member of the Connecticut Sportsmen Association
23 or the Boy Scouts of America or a representative of the firearms
24 manufacturing industry appointed by the majority leader of the House
25 of Representatives, and (14) one member of the Connecticut Sportsmen
26 Association or the Boy Scouts of America or a representative of the
27 firearms manufacturing industry appointed by the minority leader of
28 the House of Representatives. All appointments to the task force shall
29 be made not later than July 31, 2013. Any vacancy shall be filled by the
30 appointing authority.

31 (b) The task force shall: (1) Study the effects of the firearm industry's
32 attempts to market firearms to children; (2) receive reports and
33 testimony from individuals, state and local agencies, community-based
34 organizations and other public and private organizations; (3) make
35 recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor for new
36 or enhanced policies to address the findings of the task force; (4) gather
37 and maintain current information regarding the marketing of firearms
38 to children that can be used to better understand the impact of such
39 marketing on youth behavior; and (5) advise the General Assembly
40 and the Governor concerning the coordination and administration of
41 state programs that may reduce the effects of marketing firearms to
42 young children.

43 (c) Not later than October 1, 2014, the task force shall submit, in
44 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
45 a report to the General Assembly and the joint standing committee of
46 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
47 children specifying the task force's findings and recommendations
48 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In section 1(a), "The" was added for clarity and "firearm" was changed to "firearms" for accuracy.

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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 14 \$	FY 15 \$
Legislative Mgmt.; Various State Agencies	GF - Potential Cost	Less than 1,000	Less than 1,000

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

There may be a cost of less than \$1,000 to agencies participating in the task force to reimburse legislators and agency staff for mileage expenses.

The Out Years

There is no ongoing fiscal impact as the task force terminates by FY 15.

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE MARKETING OF FIREARMS TO YOUNG CHILDREN.

SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Children Committee

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Yea 12 Nay 0 (03/12/2013)