



House of Representatives

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General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 6553
As Amended by House Amendment
Schedule "A"

Approved by the Legislative Commissioner
May 16, 2013

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY FAMILY
MEDICAL LEAVE INSURANCE.**

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 Family Medical Leave Insurance. The task force shall study the
3 feasibility of establishing an insurance program to provide short-term
4 benefits to workers who are unable to work due to (1) pregnancy or
5 the birth of a child, (2) a non-work-related illness or injury, or (3) the
6 need to care for a seriously ill child, spouse or parent.

7 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members: (1) The
8 chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committee of
9 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor
10 and public employees, or said chairpersons' and ranking members'
11 designees; (2) the executive director of the Permanent Commission on
12 the Status of Women, or said executive director's designee; (3) the
13 Insurance Commissioner, or said commissioner's designee; (4) the
14 Labor Commissioner, or said commissioner's designee; (5) the State

15 Comptroller, or said Comptroller's designee; (6) three members of the
16 public appointed by the Governor, one of whom represents an
17 organization that advocates for the rights of persons with disabilities,
18 one of whom represents an organization that advocates for infant
19 health and one of whom represents an organization that advocates for
20 individuals sixty-five years of age or older; (7) two members of the
21 public appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of
22 whom represents an organization that provides legal services to low-
23 income individuals and one of whom serves or has served in a care-
24 giving institution, as defined in section 20-571 of the general statutes;
25 (8) two members of the public appointed by the speaker of the House
26 of Representatives, one of whom represents an organization that
27 advocates for individuals with chronic or acute illnesses and one of
28 whom represents a labor organization; (9) two members of the public
29 appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one of whom
30 represents an organization that provides medical care to working
31 families and one of whom represents the insurance industry; (10) two
32 members of the public appointed by the majority leader of the House
33 of Representatives, one of whom represents an organization that
34 advocates for working families and one of whom represents the
35 interests of women-owned businesses; (11) two members of the public
36 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, one of whom
37 represents an organization that provides temporary disability
38 insurance and one of whom represents the interests of small
39 businesses; and (12) two members of the public appointed by the
40 minority leader of the House of Representatives, one of whom
41 represents the interests of state businesses and one of whom represents
42 the interests of parents.

43 (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
44 July 31, 2013. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

45 (d) The executive director of the Permanent Commission on the
46 Status of Women shall serve as the chairperson and schedule the first
47 meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than September
48 1, 2013. The Permanent Commission on the Status of Women shall

49 provide any necessary support staff or services for the task force.

50 (e) Not later than October 1, 2014, the task force shall submit a
51 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
52 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
53 relating to labor and public employees, in accordance with the
54 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

55 (f) The task force shall terminate on October 1, 2014.

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

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.

House "A" alters the composition of the task force which does not result in a fiscal impact.

The Out Years

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

OLR Bill Analysis

sHB 6553 (as amended by House "A")

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Labor and Public Employees Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 7 Nay 4 (03/14/2013)