



AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY.

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 (1) the short-term and long-term needs of adults with
3 intellectual disability, including, but not limited to, such adults with
4 significant behavioral health issues or significant issues related to
5 aging, including Alzheimer's disease, dementia and related disorders,
6 and (2) ways in which the services and support such adults need may
7 be provided.

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

9 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
10 one of whom has expertise in the diagnosis, care and treatment of
11 persons with intellectual disability and one of whom has expertise in
12 the provision of residential services to persons with intellectual
13 disability;

14 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one
15 of whom has expertise in the provision of day services for persons
16 with intellectual disability and one of whom has expertise in the
17 provision of program support services to persons with intellectual
18 disability;

19 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
20 Representatives, who is the parent, guardian or relative of a person
21 with intellectual disability who has high-level needs;

22 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who is the
23 parent, guardian or relative of a person with intellectual disability;

24 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
25 Representatives, who is the parent, guardian or relative of a person
26 with intellectual disability;

27 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who is the
28 parent, guardian or relative of a person with intellectual disability who
29 has high-level needs;

30 (7) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
31 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
32 relating to public health, or their designees;

33 (8) The Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the
34 commissioner's designee; and

35 (9) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the
36 secretary's designee.

37 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
38 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (7) of subsection (b) of this section may be a
39 member of the General Assembly.

40 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
41 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
42 filled by the appointing authority.

43 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
44 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
45 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
46 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not

47 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

48 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
49 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
50 health shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

51 (g) Not later than January 1, 2019, the task force shall submit a
52 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
53 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
54 relating to public health, in accordance with the provisions of section
55 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date
56 that it submits such report or January 1, 2019, whichever is later.

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

PH *Joint Favorable Subst.*