LCO No. 3023

## AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY 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;

LCO No. 3023 1 of 3

- 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 secretary's designee.
- (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
  (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (7) of subsection (b) of this section may be a
  member of the General Assembly.
- (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.
- (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not 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.

LCO No. 3023 **2** of 3

(g) Not later than January 1, 2019, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date 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	from passage	New section

LCO No. 3023 3 of 3