AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY DEBARMENT AND LIMITATIONS ON THE AWARDING OF STATE CONTRACTS.

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

Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) There is established a task force to study Connecticut's debarment procedures, particularly as they relate to debarment procedures of other states and title 31 of the general statutes.

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

(1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who represents the Connecticut State Building Trades Council;

(2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate from a union that represents state workers;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who represents a compliance organization that monitors public works projects;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who represents Connecticut Legal Services;

(5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
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Representatives, who is a contractor that has experience bidding on state contracts and who has not been convicted of wage theft;

(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who represents an association of contractors;

(7) The Labor Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;

(8) The Commissioner of the Department of Administrative Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(9) The Commissioner of the Department of Transportation, or the commissioner's designee;

(10) The president of The University of Connecticut, or the president's designee; and

(11) The Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee.

(c) 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.

(d) 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.

(e) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

(f) Not later than February 1, 2020, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing
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committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or February 1, 2020, whichever is later.

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