



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5248

LCO No. 1013



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:
(INS)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY HEALTH
INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PEER SUPPORT SERVICES IN THIS
STATE.***

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 health insurance coverage for peer support services in this
3 state. Such study shall include, but need not be limited to, an
4 examination of any means available to increase health insurance
5 coverage for peer support services in this state.
- 6 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 7 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 8 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 9 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
10 Representatives;
- 11 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

12 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
13 Representatives;

14 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

15 (7) The Insurance Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;
16 and

17 (8) Two persons appointed by the Governor.

18 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
19 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
20 of the General Assembly.

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

24 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro
25 tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from
26 among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule
27 the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty
28 days after the effective date of this section.

29 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
30 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance
31 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

32 (g) Not later than January 1, 2021, the task force shall submit a report
33 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
34 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
35 insurance, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
36 general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
37 submits such report or January 1, 2021, whichever is later.

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

To establish a task force to study health insurance coverage for peer support services in this state.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]