



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5368

LCO No. 2074



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:
(INS)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE USE OF BREED OF DOG AS AN UNDERWRITING FACTOR FOR HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE POLICIES.

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 the use of breed of dog as an underwriting factor for
3 homeowners insurance policies delivered, issued for delivery, renewed,
4 amended or endorsed in this state. Such study shall include, but need
5 not be limited to, an examination of the feasibility and effects of
6 prohibiting the use of breed of dog as an underwriting factor for such
7 homeowners insurance policies.

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

9 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

10 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

11 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
12 Representatives;

- 13 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 14 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
15 Representatives;
- 16 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 17 (7) The Insurance Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;
18 and
- 19 (8) Two appointed by the Governor.
- 20 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
21 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
22 of the General Assembly.
- 23 (d) All initial appointments to the task force shall be made not later
24 than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall
25 be filled by the appointing authority.
- 26 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro
27 tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from
28 among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule
29 the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty
30 days after the effective date of this section.
- 31 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
32 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance
33 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.
- 34 (g) Not later than January 1, 2021, the task force shall submit a report
35 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
36 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
37 insurance, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
38 general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
39 submits such report or January 1, 2021, whichever is later.

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

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a task force to study the use of breed of dog as an underwriting factor for homeowners insurance policies delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or endorsed 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.]