



# Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 116**

January Session, 2023

Substitute Senate Bill No. 1059

*Senate, March 20, 2023*

The Committee on General Law reported through SEN. MARONEY of the 14th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION.***

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 operations of the Department of Consumer Protection.
- 3 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 4 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 5 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 6 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
7 Representatives;
- 8 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 9 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
10 Representatives;

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

12 (7) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection, or the commissioner's  
13 designee.

14 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),  
15 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member  
16 of the General Assembly.

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

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

25 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
26 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer  
27 protection shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

28 (g) Not later than January 1, 2024, the task force shall submit a report  
29 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of  
30 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to  
31 consumer protection, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a  
32 of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it  
33 submits such report or January 1, 2024, whichever is later.

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

**GL**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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### **OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:** None

**Municipal Impact:** None

### **Explanation**

The bill creates a task force to study the operations of the Department of Consumer Protection resulting in no fiscal impact to the state because the task force has the expertise to meet the requirements of the bill.

### **The Out Years**

**State Impact:** None

**Municipal Impact:** None

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**SUMMARY**

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

General Law Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 23 Nay 0 (03/02/2023)