



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 524

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 1210

Senate, April 12, 2023

The Committee on Public Health reported through SEN. ANWAR of the 3rd 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 ISSUES CONCERNING RURAL HEALTH.

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 issues concerning rural health. Such study shall include, but
3 need not be limited to, an examination of resources and services
4 available to promote rural health and support health care providers in
5 rural areas throughout the state and methods for coordinating and
6 streamlining such resources and services.

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

8 (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

9 (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

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

- 12 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 13 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
14 Representatives;
- 15 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 16 (7) One each appointed by the chairpersons of the joint standing
17 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
18 relating to public health;
- 19 (8) One each appointed by the ranking members of the joint standing
20 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
21 relating to public health;
- 22 (9) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's
23 designee; and
- 24 (10) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or
25 the commissioner's designee.
- 26 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
27 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) or (8) of subsection (b) of this section may be a
28 member of the General Assembly.
- 29 (d) All initial appointments to the task force shall be made not later
30 than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall
31 be filled by the appointing authority.
- 32 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro
33 tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from
34 among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule
35 the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty
36 days after the effective date of this section.
- 37 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
38 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
39 health shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

40 (g) Not later than January 1, 2024, the task force shall submit a report
41 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
42 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
43 health, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
44 statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such
45 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

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill establishes a task force to study issues concerning rural health resulting in no fiscal impact because the task force has the expertise to meet the requirements of the bill.

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Municipal Impact: None



OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

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