



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 5

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House Bill No. 5199

House of Representatives, March 12, 2024

The Committee on Public Health reported through REP. MCCARTHY VAHEY of the 133rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE SHORTAGE OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS IN THE 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 the shortage of athletic trainers in the state. Such study shall
3 include, but need not be limited to, an examination of methods to recruit
4 athletic trainers to the state.

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

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

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

8 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
9 Representatives;

10 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

11 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of

12 Representatives;

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

14 (7) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's
15 designee.

16 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
17 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
18 of the General Assembly.

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

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

27 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
28 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
29 health shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

30 (g) Not later than January 1, 2025, the task force shall submit a report
31 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
32 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
33 health, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
34 statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such
35 report or January 1, 2025, whichever is later.

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

PH Joint Favorable

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state or municipalities to establish a task force to study the state shortage of athletic trainers with the administrative staff of the joint standing Public Health Committee serving as its administrative staff.

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State Impact: None

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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Yea 37 Nay 0 (03/04/2024)