



General Assembly

Amendment

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Offered by:
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To: Senate Bill No. 407

File No. 352

Cal. No. 237

**"AN ACT GRANTING VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STUDENTS
ACCESS TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
4 to study workers' compensation coverage for students of regional
5 agricultural science and technology education centers who are enrolled
6 in (1) a public work-study as defined and approved by the
7 Commissioner of Education and the Labor Commissioner or a program
8 established pursuant to section 10-20a of the general statutes, or (2) an
9 internship, as defined in section 31-23 of the general statutes. Such study
10 shall include, but need not be limited to, an examination of the current
11 policies and practices of regional agricultural science and technology
12 education centers regarding workers' compensation coverage for such
13 students and potential changes to state law concerning workers'
14 compensation coverage for such students.

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

16 (1) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
17 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
18 relating to labor and public employees;

19 (2) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

20 (3) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

21 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
22 Representatives;

23 (5) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

24 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
25 Representatives; and

26 (7) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate.

27 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
28 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (7) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
29 of the General Assembly.

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

33 (e) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee having
34 cognizance of matters relating to labor and public employees shall be
35 the chairpersons of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the
36 first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty
37 days after the effective date of this section.

38 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
39 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor and
40 public employees shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

41 (g) Not later than January 1, 2025, the task force shall submit a report
42 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
43 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor

44 and public employees, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-
45 4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that
46 it submits such 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