



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 164

LCO No. 3687



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
(HS)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY EXPANDING SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE 2-1-1 INFOLINE PROGRAM OPERATED BY THE UNITED WAY OF CONNECTICUT.

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 expanding services provided by the 2-1-1 Infoline program
3 operated by the United Way of Connecticut. Such study shall include,
4 but need not be limited to, state funding necessary to expand services of
5 the program.

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

7 (1) Two representatives of the United Way of Connecticut appointed
8 by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

9 (2) Two representatives of advocacy organizations who serve clients
10 who have benefited or may benefit from services provided by the 2-1-1
11 Infoline program appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

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

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

41 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
42 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human
43 services shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

44 (g) Not later than January 1, 2026, the task force shall submit a report
45 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committees
46 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
47 appropriations and human services, in accordance with the provisions
48 of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on
49 the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2026, 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 make recommendations on expanding and improving services offered by the 2-1-1 Infoline program operated by the United Way of Connecticut with state support.

[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.]

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