

General Assembly

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LCO No. 1330



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: (PH)

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	from passage	New section

PH Joint Favorable