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Special Act No. 19-23

AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S PROPOSED REGULATIONS REGARDING SEXUAL MISCONDUCT UNDER TITLE IX OF THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT OF 1972.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Upon issuance of the United States Department of Education's Final Rule concerning sexual misconduct under Title IX of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972, 20 USC 1681 et seq., as amended from time to time, there shall be established a task force to examine the impact of the proposed regulations on students and campus safety at institutions of higher education in the state.

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

(1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom is a Title IX coordinator at a public institution of higher education;

(2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom represents a community-based sexual assault crisis service center;

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(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who is a Title IX coordinator at an independent institution of higher education;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who is a law enforcement officer at an institution of higher education and is certified pursuant to section 7-297d of the general statutes;

(5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who represents a community-based domestic violence agency;

(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who is a student at an institution of higher education; and

(7) Two appointed by the Governor.

(c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of subsection (b) of this section may be a member of the General Assembly.

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

(e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than forty-five days after the publication in the Federal Register of the United States Department of Education's Final Rule concerning sexual misconduct under Title IX of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972, 20 USC 1681 et seq, as amended from time to time.

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(f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education and employment advancement shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

(g) Not later than one hundred twenty days after the first meeting, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education and employment advancement, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report.