



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 201

LCO No. 954



Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by:
(INS)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY HEALTH
INSURANCE AND HEALTH CARE INEQUITY IN THIS 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 inequity in the provision of health insurance coverage and
3 health care services in this state. Such study shall include, but need not
4 be limited to, identifying any means available to promote equity in the
5 provision of health insurance coverage and health care services in this
6 state.

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

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

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

10 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
11 Representatives;

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

13 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
14 Representatives;

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

16 (7) The Insurance Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;
17 and

18 (8) Two persons appointed by the Governor.

19 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
20 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
21 of the General Assembly.

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

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

30 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
31 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance
32 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

33 (g) Not later than January 1, 2021, the task force shall submit a report
34 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
35 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
36 insurance, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
37 general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
38 submits such report or January 1, 2021, whichever is later.

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

To establish a task force to study health insurance and health care inequity in this state.

[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.]