

General Assembly

February Session, 2024

Raised Bill No. 296

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL STATUTES CONCERNING ROAMING LIVESTOCK.

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 enforcement of subsection (a) of section 22-364 of the
- general statutes in order to prevent the occurrence of certain undesiredinteractions between roaming swine and bovines.
- 5 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
 one of whom has expertise in law enforcement and one of whom has
 expertise in livestock;
- 9 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

10 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of11 Representatives;

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

13 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of14 Representatives;

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

16 (7) The Commissioner of Agriculture, or the commissioner's17 designee.

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

(d) All initial 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 sixty
days after the effective date of this section.

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

32 (g) Not later than January 1, 2025, the task force shall submit a report 33 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of 34 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the 35 environment, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the 36 general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it 37 submits such report or January 1, 2025, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1from passageNew section

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit certain undesired interactions between roaming swine and bovine.

[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.]