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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to advanced air mobility; creating the
3 Advanced Air Mobility Study Task Force adjunct to the
4 Department of Transportation; specifying the
5 composition of the task force; providing that task
6 force members serve at the pleasure of their
7 appointing authority; providing that task force
8 members shall serve without compensation but are
9 entitled to certain reimbursement; providing for task
10 force funding; specifying duties of the task force;
11 defining the term "eVTOL aircraft"; requiring the task
12 force to submit a certain report to the Governor and
13 the Legislature by a specified date; providing for
14 abolishment of the task force; providing for
15 expiration; providing an effective date.

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17 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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19 Section 1. Advanced Air Mobility Study Task Force.—

20 (1) The Advanced Air Mobility Study Task Force, a task
21 force as defined in s. 20.03(8), Florida Statutes, is created
22 adjunct to the Department of Transportation. The task force is
23 composed of the following members:

24 (a) The secretary of the Department of Transportation or
25 the secretary's designee, who shall serve as chair of the task

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26 force.

27 (b) One member of the Senate appointed by the President of
28 the Senate.

29 (c) One member of the House of Representatives appointed
30 by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

31 (d) The executive director of the Florida League of Cities
32 or the director's designee.

33 (e) The executive director of the Florida Association of
34 Counties or the director's designee.

35 (f) The president of Space Florida or the president's
36 designee.

37 (g) Appointed by the Governor:

38 1. Two members, each representing a different city having
39 a population of more than 250,000 persons.

40 2. One member representing a city having a population of
41 fewer than 250,000 persons.

42 3. One member representing a metropolitan planning
43 organization.

44 4. One member representing the State University System.

45 5. Three members representing the advanced air mobility
46 industry.

47 6. One member representing an organization in this state
48 which advocates for persons with disabilities.

49 7. Two members representing the business community.

50 8. One member representing an organization in this state

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51 which advocates for underserved transportation areas.

52 9. One member representing a public airport located in a
53 county having a population of more than 1 million persons.

54 10. One member representing a public airport located in a
55 county having a population of fewer than 1 million persons.

56 (2) Appointed members shall serve at the pleasure of the
57 appointing authority.

58 (3) Task force members shall serve without compensation
59 but are entitled to reimbursement for reasonable and necessary
60 per diem and travel expenses incurred in the performance of
61 their duties as provided in s. 112.061, Florida Statutes.

62 (4) The Department of Transportation shall provide staff,
63 assistance, and facilities as are deemed necessary for the task
64 force to perform its duties. Funding for the task force shall be
65 paid from the State Transportation Trust Fund.

66 (5) The task force shall meet at the time and location as
67 the chair determines. The task force shall hold public hearings
68 and receive public comment in locations throughout this state,
69 or by electronic means, such as teleconference, provided that a
70 means for active participation is accommodated.

71 (6) The task force shall:

72 (a) Assess and describe the current state of development
73 of the advanced air mobility industry, specifically the
74 deployment of eVTOL aircraft. As used in this section, the term
75 "eVTOL aircraft" means a type of aircraft that uses electric

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76 power to hover, take off, and land vertically without a runway.

77 (b) Identify federal, state, and local laws, rules,
78 regulations, and other requirements that may impact the
79 development of the advanced air mobility industry in this state,
80 including the potential deployment of eVTOL aircraft and
81 infrastructure.

82 (c) Recommend any changes to state laws and regulations
83 necessary to facilitate the continued development of the
84 advanced air mobility industry and deployment of eVTOL aircraft
85 and infrastructure in this state.

86 (d) Evaluate the potential integration of advanced air
87 mobility into local government transportation plans.

88 (7) By October 1, 2023, the task force shall submit to the
89 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
90 House of Representatives a report including the information,
91 findings, and recommendations required pursuant to subsection
92 (6) and any other relevant material deemed appropriate by the
93 task force. Upon submission of the report, the task force is
94 abolished.

95 (8) This section expires December 31, 2023.

96 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.