

# HOUSE BILL No. 1166

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 2-5-54.

**Synopsis:** Chronic weight management task force. Establishes the chronic weight management task force to study and make recommendations concerning chronic weight related diseases and Type 2 diabetes.

**Effective:** July 1, 2024.

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January 8, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning the general assembly.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 2-5-54 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
- 2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 3 1, 2024]:
- 4 **Chapter 54. Chronic Weight Management Task Force**
- 5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "task force" refers to the chronic**
- 6 **weight management task force established by section 2 of this**
- 7 **chapter.**
- 8 **Sec. 2. The chronic weight management task force is established.**
- 9 **Sec. 3. (a) The task force consist of the following thirteen (13)**
- 10 **members:**
- 11 **(1) Four (4) members of the senate, appointed as follows:**
- 12 **(A) Two (2) members appointed by the president pro**
- 13 **tempore, one (1) of whom shall serve as co-chair of the task**
- 14 **force.**
- 15 **(B) Two (2) members appointed by the minority leader of**
- 16 **the senate.**
- 17 **(2) Four (4) members of the house of representatives,**



- 1           **appointed as follows:**
- 2           **(A) Two (2) members appointed by the speaker, one (1) of**
- 3           **whom shall serve as co-chair of the task force.**
- 4           **(B) Two (2) members appointed by the minority leader of**
- 5           **the house.**
- 6           **(3) The commissioner of the Indiana department of health or**
- 7           **the commissioner's designee.**
- 8           **(4) The commissioner of the department of insurance or the**
- 9           **commissioner's designee.**
- 10          **(5) The secretary of the office of the secretary of family and**
- 11          **social services or the secretary's designee.**
- 12          **(6) One (1) member who represents the Wellness Council of**
- 13          **Indiana, appointed by the speaker of the house of**
- 14          **representatives.**
- 15          **(7) One (1) member who is a physician licensed under**
- 16          **IC 25-22.5 and certified in obesity medicine by the American**
- 17          **Board of Obesity Medicine, appointed by the president pro**
- 18          **tempore of the senate.**
- 19          **(b) A member of the task force serves for the duration of the**
- 20          **task force.**
- 21          **(c) If a vacancy occurs on the task force, the appointing**
- 22          **authority that appointed the member position that is vacant shall**
- 23          **appoint an individual to fill the vacancy.**
- 24          **(d) An individual appointed to fill a vacancy serves for the**
- 25          **remainder of the term of the member the individual is appointed**
- 26          **to succeed.**
- 27          **Sec. 4. (a) Seven (7) members of the task force constitute a**
- 28          **quorum.**
- 29          **(b) The affirmative vote of at least a majority of the members**
- 30          **appointed to the task force are required for the task force to take**
- 31          **action, including a final report.**
- 32          **(c) The task force shall meet at the call of the co-chairs.**
- 33          **However, the task force shall hold its first meeting before August**
- 34          **1, 2024.**
- 35          **Sec. 5. All meetings of the task force are open to the public in**
- 36          **accordance with and subject to IC 5-14-1.5. All records of the task**
- 37          **force are subject to the requirements of IC 5-14-3.**
- 38          **Sec. 6. The task force shall study the following issues:**
- 39                  **(1) The health implications of weight related chronic diseases**
- 40                  **and Type 2 diabetes.**
- 41                  **(2) The costs associated with managing weight related chronic**
- 42                  **diseases and Type 2 diabetes.**



- 1           **(3) The treatments available to reduce weight related chronic**  
2           **diseases and Type 2 diabetes in Indiana.**
- 3           **(4) How to promote the use of data concerning the diseases**  
4           **described in subdivision (3) to influence decision making to**  
5           **understand the cost savings of preventing weight related**  
6           **chronic diseases and Type 2 diabetes.**
- 7           **Sec. 7. Not later than November 15, 2024, the task force shall**  
8           **prepare and submit a report to the legislative council in an**  
9           **electronic format under IC 5-14-6 summarizing the task force's**  
10          **findings and recommendations concerning the issues described in**  
11          **section 6 of this chapter.**
- 12          **Sec. 8. The legislative services agency shall staff the task force.**
- 13          **Sec. 9. (a) Each legislative member and each lay member of the**  
14          **task force is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and**  
15          **travel allowances paid to individuals serving as legislative and lay**  
16          **members, respectively, on an interim study committee established**  
17          **by the legislative council.**
- 18          **(b) A member of the task force who is a state employee is not**  
19          **entitled to a per diem. However, the member is entitled to receive**  
20          **the same travel allowances paid to members of the task force**  
21          **described in subsection (a).**
- 22          **Sec. 10. This chapter expires December 31, 2024.**

