

State of ennessee

# **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 941**

### SENATE BILL NO. 2081

### By Yager

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2036

#### By Gravitt, Powers, Forgety, Carr

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 19, relative to auctioneers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. (a) There is created the Tennessee Task Force on Auction Law Modernization. The task force shall:

(1) Conduct a comprehensive review of auction laws in this state, including rules of the Tennessee Auctioneer Commission to study unnecessary barriers to entry into the profession; and

(2) Recommend changes and updates to auctioneer licensing laws to recognize the broad range of business models of auctioneers, auction firms, and auction platforms.

(b) The task force shall be composed of:

(1) The president of the Tennessee Auctioneers Association;

(2) One (1) additional member of the Tennessee Auctioneers Association, selected by association members;

(3) One (1) online auctioneer with in-state operations, appointed by the speaker of the senate;

(4) One (1) online auctioneer with global operations, appointed by the speaker of the senate;

(5) One (1) online automobile auctioneer, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(6) One (1) representative from a licensed Tennessee Auction School, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(7) One (1) member of the Tennessee Auctioneer Commission, selected by the commission;

(8) The commissioner of commerce and insurance or the commissioner's designee;

(9) One (1) member of the Tennessee Real Estate Commission, selected by the commission;

(10) One (1) representative of the Tennessee County Services Association, selected by the association;

(11) Two (2) representatives from the Tennessee Automotive Association, selected by association members; and

(12) One (1) consumer member to represent the public, appointed by the governor.

(c) A majority of the members of the task force constitute a quorum. Members must be present at meetings to vote.

(d) The commissioner of commerce and insurance, or the commissioner's designee, shall schedule the first meeting of the task force to occur within ninety (90) days of the passage of this act. At the first meeting of the task force, the members of the task force shall select a chair from the membership of the task force.

(e) The task force shall meet at least four (4) times between June 1, 2018, and December 31, 2018, and may meet more often upon the call of the chair.

(f) The task force shall be administratively attached to the department of commerce and insurance. All appropriate agencies of state government shall provide assistance to the task force upon the request of the task force.

(g) All meetings shall be open to the public pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 44.

(h) No member of the task force shall receive compensation, nor shall members be entitled to reimbursement for actual travel and other expenses incurred in attending any meeting or in performing any duties prescribed in this act.

(i) The task force shall make recommendations for legislation for the next legislative session and report its recommendations to the chairs of the commerce and labor committee of the senate and the business and utilities committee of the house of representatives on or before January 8, 2019, at which time the task force will cease to exist.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 18, 2018

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RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this <u>15地</u> day of し \_\_\_\_ 2018 w

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