



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5053

LCO No. 4852



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:
(LAB)

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO INCREASE
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS RECOVERING
FROM SUBSTANCE ABUSE.**

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 investigate strategies to increase employment opportunities for
3 persons recovering from substance abuse.
- 4 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 5 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 6 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 7 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
8 Representatives;
- 9 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 10 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
11 Representatives;

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

13 (7) Two persons appointed by the Governor.

14 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
15 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
16 of the General Assembly.

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

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

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

28 (g) Not later than January 1, 2020, the task force shall submit a
29 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
30 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
31 relating to labor, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of
32 the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
33 submits such report or January 1, 2020, whichever is later.

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

Statement of Purpose:

To increase employment opportunities for persons recovering from substance abuse.

[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.]

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