

## Chapter 668

### (House Bill 1145)

AN ACT concerning

#### Task Force to Study Energy Generation in Prince George's County

#### PG 416-13

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Energy Generation in Prince George's County; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George's County Senators, the Prince George's County Delegation, the Prince George's County Council, the Prince George's County Executive, and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Energy Generation in Prince George's County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

- (a) There is a Task Force to Study Energy Generation in Prince George's County.
- (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:
  - (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland who represents Prince George's County, appointed by the President of the Senate;
  - (2) one member of the House of Delegates who represents Prince George's County, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
  - (3) the ~~Chairman~~ Executive Director of the Technical Staff of the Public Service Commission, or the ~~Chairman's~~ Executive Director's designee;
  - (4) the Director of the Maryland Energy Administration, or the Director's designee;
  - (5) one member of the Prince George's County Council, appointed by the chair of the Council;

(6) the County Executive of Prince George's County, or the County Executive's designee; ~~and~~

(7) the business manager of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union 26, or the business manager's designee; and

(8) the following members appointed by the Governor:

(i) one representative of an electric company that provides service in Prince George's County;

(ii) one representative of the Prince George's County business community with an interest in energy generation;

(iii) one representative of the environmental community with an interest in clean energy; and

(iv) one faculty member from the University System of Maryland with expertise in energy generation.

(c) The Task Force members shall select the chair of the Task Force.

(d) The Prince George's County government shall provide staff for the Task Force.

(e) A member of the Task Force:

(1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

(2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

(f) The Task Force shall:

(1) study energy generation in Prince George's County, including the extent to which energy generation within the county is able to meet the county's current and projected energy needs; and

(2) make recommendations regarding:

(i) whether energy generation in Prince George's County should be increased;

(ii) appropriate forms of energy generation for Prince George's County; and

(iii) appropriate locations for energy generation in Prince George's County.

(g) On or before December 31, 2013, the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George's County Senators, the Prince George's County Delegation, the Prince George's County Council, the Prince George's County Executive, and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of May 31, 2014, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

**Approved by the Governor, May 16, 2013.**