

1 **SECTION 5.** Members of the Task Force shall receive per diem, subsistence, and
2 travel allowances in accordance with G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5, or 138-6, as appropriate. The Task
3 Force, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided for under
4 G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4. The Task Force may meet at anytime
5 upon the joint call of the cochairs. The Task Force may meet in the Legislative Building or the
6 Legislative Office Building.

7 With approval of the Legislative Services Commission, the Legislative Services
8 Officer shall assign professional staff to assist the Task Force in its work. The House of
9 Representatives' and the Senate's Directors of Legislative Assistants shall assign clerical staff to
10 the Task Force, and the expenses relating to the clerical employees shall be borne by the Task
11 Force. The Task Force may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services as
12 provided by G.S. 120-32.02. If the Task Force hires a consultant, the consultant shall not be a
13 State employee or a person currently under contract with the State to provide services.

14 All State departments and agencies and local governments and their subdivisions
15 shall furnish the Task Force with any information in their possession or available to them.

16 **SECTION 6.** The Task Force shall submit a final report of the results of its study
17 and its recommendations to the 2011 General Assembly upon its convening. The Task Force
18 shall terminate upon filing its final report or upon the convening of the 2011 General
19 Assembly, whichever occurs first.

20 **SECTION 7.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2010.