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Short Title: Task Force on Regulatory Reform. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Millis, J. Bell, and Riddell (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA JOINT LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE
3 ON REGULATORY REFORM.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** There is established the North Carolina Joint Legislative Task Force
6 on Regulatory Reform (Task Force). The purpose of the Task Force is to solicit, review, and
7 recommend proposals provided by owners and managers of businesses, economic development
8 professionals, employers, employees, independent contractors, consumers, and citizens from
9 across the State on ways to improve the regulatory climate of North Carolina. In conducting its
10 review, the Task Force shall consider all of the following:

- 11 (1) Methods to eliminate ineffective or overly burdensome regulation.
- 12 (2) Options to streamline implementation and reduce the cost of complying with
13 certain State regulations.
- 14 (3) Avenues to quickly identify and review disproportionately misinterpreted or
15 challenged regulations.
- 16 (4) Other ideas for improving the regulatory climate of the State.

17 **SECTION 2.** The Task Force shall consist of 12 members, appointed as follows:

- 18 (1) Six members appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
19 of the Speaker of the House of Representatives; one of whom shall be a
20 member of the House of Representatives, two of whom shall be at-large
21 public members, and three of whom shall be appointed based upon their
22 active participation and expertise in one of the following industries or
23 economic sectors:
 - 24 a. Business Services.
 - 25 b. Environmental Services.
 - 26 c. Education and Workforce Development.
- 27 (2) Six members appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
28 of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; one of whom shall be a member
29 of the Senate, two of whom shall be at-large public members, and three of
30 whom shall be appointed based upon their active participation and expertise
31 in one of the following industries or economic sectors:
 - 32 a. Information Technology.
 - 33 b. Health care.
 - 34 c. Construction.

35 **SECTION 3.** The Task Force shall have two cochairs, one designated by the
36 Speaker of the House of Representatives and one designated by the President Pro Tempore of



1 the Senate. The cochairs shall convene the first meeting as soon as practicable after
2 appointments have been made. The Task Force shall meet upon the call of the chair. A majority
3 of the Task Force members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

4 **SECTION 4.** While in the discharge of its official duties, the Task Force may
5 exercise all powers provided for under Article 5 of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The
6 Task Force may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services, as provided by
7 G.S. 120-32.02.

8 **SECTION 5.** Task Force members shall receive no compensation for their service
9 but shall be paid per diem, subsistence, and travel expenses in accordance with G.S. 120-3.1,
10 138-5, and 138-6, as applicable.

11 **SECTION 6.** The Legislative Services Commission shall allocate from a portion of
12 the funds appropriated to the General Assembly for each fiscal year for expenses of the Task
13 Force.

14 **SECTION 7.** The Task Force may meet at various locations around the State in
15 order to promote greater public participation in its deliberations. The Legislative Services
16 Commission shall grant adequate meeting space to the Task Force in the State Legislative
17 Building or the Legislative Office Building.

18 **SECTION 8.** The Task Force shall submit a final report on the results of its study,
19 including any proposed legislation, to the members of the General Assembly on or before
20 December 31, 2016, by filing a copy of the report with the Offices of the Speaker of the House
21 of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. The Task Force shall
22 terminate on December 31, 2016, or upon the filing of its final report, whichever occurs first.

23 **SECTION 9.** This act is effective when it becomes law.