

2019

**HOUSE
HOMELESSNESS,
FOSTER CARE, AND
DEPENDENCY**

MINUTES



North Carolina General Assembly
Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency

2019-20 Session

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Representative John Torbett

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HOMELESSNESS, FOSTER CARE, AND DEPENDENCY

House Standing Committee

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Rep. Torbett

Members



Rep. Carter



Rep. Dahle



Rep. Insko



Rep. Stevens



Rep. Terry

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS, FOSTER CARE, AND DEPENDENCY

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Rep. Allison Dahle	Ann Evangelista	919-733-5755	1015	108
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Rep. Sarah Stevens	Lisa Brown	919-715-1883	419	7
Rep. Evelyn Terry	Franklin Terry	919-733-5777	514	33

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Rep. John Bell	Susan Horne	919-715-3017	301F	5
Rep. Brendon Jones	Andrew Bailey	919-733-5821	1227	88
Rep. David Lewis	Grace Rogers	919-715-3015	2301	6

ATTENDANCE

HOMELESSNESS, FOSTER CARE, AND DEPENDENCY

(Name of Committee)

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House Committee on Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency
Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 2:00 PM
Room 425 of the Legislative Office Building

MINUTES

The House Committee on Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency met at 2:00 PM on April 30, 2019 in Room 425 of the Legislative Office Building. Representatives Carter, Dahle, Insko, Pittman, and Torbett attended.

Representative Larry G. Pittman, Chair, presided.

Rep. Pittman opened the meeting with a brief introduction to the committee. He introduced the Page and the Sergeants At Arms who were assisting with the committee.

The following bills were considered:

HB 580 Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds. (Representatives Grange, White, Potts, Dobson)

Rep. Grange explained her bill. She asked for questions. Rep. Insko asked Rep. Grange a question that Rep. Grange answered. Crystal Pargo with Methodist Home for Children spoke on the bill. Mary Moore Foster Parent with Methodist Home for Children also spoke on the bill.

Rep. Torbett made the motion for Favorable Report with Serial Referral to Appropriations, Health and Human Services. The motion passed unanimously.

HB 613 Essential Services For Homeless Youth. (Representatives Fisher, Dobson)

Rep. Fisher explained her bill. She asked for questions. Johnnye Waller Assistant Superintendent with Lee County Schools spoke on the bill. Rep. Torbett asked Johnnye Waller a question. Mary Hawley Oates Supervisor of School Nurses with Lee County Schools also spoke on the bill. Carrie Dow-Smith MD, Pediatrician with WakeMed spoke on the bill.

Rep. Dahle made the motion for a Favorable report with Serial Referral to Judiciary. The motion passed unanimously.

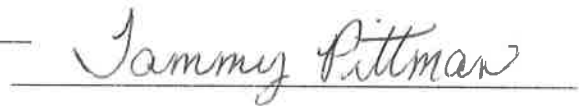
HB 915 Establish Task Force on Aging. (Representatives White, R. Turner, Hurley, Black)

Rep. White explained her bill. She asked for questions. Rep. Dahle asked Rep. White a question. Rep. Insko made the motion for a Favorable Report with Serial Referral to Rules. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:39pm.

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Representative Larry G. Pittman, Chair
Presiding

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Tammy Pittman", written over a horizontal line.

Tammy Pittman, Committee Clerk

Updated #2: Add HB 915

**NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE
AND
BILL SPONSOR NOTIFICATION
2019-2020 SESSION**

You are hereby notified that the **House Committee on Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency** will meet as follows:

DAY & DATE: Tuesday, April 30, 2019
TIME: 2:00 PM
LOCATION: 425 LOB

The following bills will be considered:

BILL NO.	SHORT TITLE	SPONSOR
<u>HB 580</u>	Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds.	Representative Grange Representative White Representative Potts Representative Dobson
<u>HB 613</u>	Essential Services For Homeless Youth.	Representative Fisher Representative Dobson
<u>HB 915</u>	Establish Task Force on Aging.	Representative White Representative R. Turner Representative Hurley Representative Black

Respectfully,

Representative Larry G. Pittman, Co-Chair
Representative John A. Torbett, Co-Chair

I hereby certify this notice was filed by the committee assistant at the following offices at 5:52 PM on Tuesday, April 30, 2019.

____ Principal Clerk
____ Reading Clerk – House Chamber

Tammy Pittman (Committee Assistant)

Updated #2: Remove HB 619

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DAY & DATE: Tuesday, April 30, 2019

TIME: 2:00 PM

LOCATION: 425 LOB

The following bills will be considered:

BILL NO.	SHORT TITLE	SPONSOR
<u>HB 580</u>	Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds.	Representative Grange Representative White Representative Potts Representative Dobson
<u>HB 613</u>	Essential Services For Homeless Youth.	Representative Fisher Representative Dobson

Respectfully,

Representative Larry G. Pittman, Co-Chair
Representative John A. Torbett, Co-Chair

I hereby certify this notice was filed by the committee assistant at the following offices at 12:45 PM on Tuesday, April 30, 2019.

____ Principal Clerk
____ Reading Clerk – House Chamber

Tammy Pittman (Committee Assistant)

**NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE
AND
BILL SPONSOR NOTIFICATION
2019-2020 SESSION**

You are hereby notified that the **House Committee on Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency** will meet as follows:

DAY & DATE: Tuesday, April 30, 2019

TIME: 2:00 PM

LOCATION: 1228/1327 LB

The following bills will be considered:

BILL NO.	SHORT TITLE	SPONSOR
<u>HB 580</u>	Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds.	Representative Grange Representative White Representative Potts Representative Dobson
<u>HB 613</u>	Essential Services For Homeless Youth.	Representative Fisher Representative Dobson
<u>HB 619</u>	Rethinking Guardianship.	Representative Farmer-Butterfield Representative Hardister Representative White Representative R. Turner

Respectfully,

Representative Larry G. Pittman, Co-Chair
Representative John A. Torbett, Co-Chair

I hereby certify this notice was filed by the committee assistant at the following offices at 12:01 PM on Thursday, April 25, 2019.

____ Principal Clerk
____ Reading Clerk – House Chamber

Viddia Torbett (Committee Assistant)

House Committee on Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency
Tuesday, April 30, 2019, 2:00 PM
425 Legislative Office Building

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HB 613	Essential Services For Homeless Youth.	Representative Fisher Representative Dobson
HB 915	Establish Task Force on Aging.	Representative White Representative R. Turner Representative Hurley Representative Black

Presentations

Other Business

Adjournment

**NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

HOMELESSNESS, FOSTER CARE, AND DEPENDENCY COMMITTEE REPORT

Representative Larry G. Pittman, Co-Chair

Representative John A. Torbett, Co-Chair

FAVORABLE AND RE-REFERRED

HB 580	Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds.
	Draft Number: None
	Serial Referral: APPROPRIATIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
	Recommended Referral: None
	Long Title Amended: No
	Floor Manager: Grange
HB 613	Essential Services For Homeless Youth.
	Draft Number: None
	Serial Referral: JUDICIARY
	Recommended Referral: None
	Long Title Amended: No
	Floor Manager: Fisher
HB 915	Establish Task Force on Aging.
	Draft Number: None
	Serial Referral: RULES, CALENDAR, AND OPERATIONS OF THE HOUSE
	Recommended Referral: None
	Long Title Amended: No
	Floor Manager: White

TOTAL REPORTED: 3



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GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 580*

Short Title: Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Grange, White, Potts, and Dobson (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency, if favorable, Appropriations, Health and Human Services, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

April 4, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO INCREASE RATES FOR FOSTER CARE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR
THAT PURPOSE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) G.S. 108A-49.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 108A-49.1. Foster care and adoption assistance payment rates.

(a) The maximum rates for State participation in the foster care assistance program are established on a graduated scale as follows:

- (1) ~~\$475.00~~ ~~\$514.00~~ per child per month for children from birth through five years of age.
- (2) ~~\$581.00~~ ~~\$654.00~~ per child per month for children six through 12 years of age.
- (3) ~~\$634.00~~ ~~\$698.00~~ per child per month for children at least 13 but less than 21 years of age.

(b) The maximum rates for the State adoption assistance program are established consistent with the foster care rates as follows:

- (1) ~~\$475.00~~ ~~\$514.00~~ per child per month for children from birth through five years of age.
- (2) ~~\$581.00~~ ~~\$654.00~~ per child per month for children six through 12 years of age.
- (3) ~~\$634.00~~ ~~\$698.00~~ per child per month for children at least 13 but less than 21 years of age.

...."

SECTION 1.(b) G.S. 108A-49.1, as amended by subsection (a) of this section, reads as rewritten:

"§ 108A-49.1. Foster care and adoption assistance payment rates.

(a) The maximum rates for State participation in the foster care assistance program are established on a graduated scale as follows:

- (1) ~~\$475.00~~ ~~\$553.00~~ per child per month for children from birth through five years of age.
- (2) ~~\$581.00~~ ~~\$727.00~~ per child per month for children six through 12 years of age.
- (3) ~~\$634.00~~ ~~\$761.00~~ per child per month for children at least 13 but less than 21 years of age.

(b) The maximum rates for the State adoption assistance program are established consistent with the foster care rates as follows:



- 1 (1) ~~\$475.00-\$553.00~~ per child per month for children from birth through five
2 years of age.
3 (2) ~~\$581.00-\$727.00~~ per child per month for children six through 12 years of age.
4 (3) ~~\$634.00-\$761.00~~ per child per month for children at least 13 but less than 21
5 years of age.

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7 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
8 Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, the sum of six million eight hundred
9 sixty-eight thousand seven hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$6,868,758) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year
10 to implement the foster care and adoption rate increases provided for in this act.

11 **SECTION 3.** Section 1(a) of this act becomes effective July 1, 2020. Section 1(b) of
12 this act becomes effective July 1, 2021. Section 2 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2019. The
13 remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law.



HOUSE BILL 580: Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee:	House Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency. If favorable, re-refer to Appropriations, Health and Human Services. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	April 29, 2019
Introduced by:	Reps. Grange, White, Potts, Dobson	Prepared by:	Tawanda N. Foster
Analysis of:	First Edition		Committee Co-Counsel

OVERVIEW: *House Bill 580 increases the foster care and adoption assistance payment rates and appropriates funds for that purpose.*

[As introduced, this bill was identical to S636, as introduced by Sens. Hise, Krawiec, Harrington, which is currently in Senate Appropriations/Base Budget.]

CURRENT LAW: Article 2 of Chapter 108A of the General Statutes governs programs of public assistance in the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services.

G.S. 108A-49.1 provides the maximum rates for State participation in foster care and adoption assistance payment rates.

BILL ANALYSIS: This bill increases the foster care and adoption assistance payment rates and appropriates funds for that purpose.

Section 1.(a) increases the rates for foster care and adoption assistance per child per month, effective July 1, 2020, as follows:

	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>House Bill 580</u>
Birth through Age 5	\$475.00	\$514.00
Age 6-12	\$581.00	\$654.00
Age 13-21	\$634.00	\$698.00

Section 1.(b) increases the rates for foster care and adoption assistance per child per month, effective July 1, 2021, as follows:

	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>House Bill 580</u>
Birth through Age 5	\$475.00	\$553.00
Age 6-12	\$581.00	\$727.00
Age 13-21	\$634.00	\$761.00

Karen Cochrane-Brown
Director



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House Bill 580

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Section 3 appropriates from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services \$6,868,758.00 for the 2020-2021 fiscal year to implement the rate increases in this bill.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Section 1.(a) of this bill becomes effective July 1, 2020 and Section 1.(b) of this bill becomes effective July 1, 2021. Section 2 of this bill becomes effective July 1, 2019.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 613

Short Title: Essential Services For Homeless Youth.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Fisher and Dobson (Primary Sponsors).

For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency, if favorable, Judiciary, if favorable,
Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

April 8, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT ALLOWING UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS MINORS TO CONSENT TO
CERTAIN ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES; ESTABLISHING RESPONSIBILITY,
LIABILITY, AND IMMUNITY FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS WHO RENDER
CERTAIN ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES TO CONSENTING UNACCOMPANIED
HOMELESS MINORS; AND EXPANDING ACCESS TO CHILD CARE SERVICES FOR
MINORS WITH CHILDREN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**PART I. EFFECTIVE CONSENT BY UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS MINORS FOR
CERTAIN HEALTH SERVICES**

SECTION 1.1. Part 1 of Article 1A of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes is amended
by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 90-21.5A. Unaccompanied homeless minor's consent sufficient for certain health
services.**

(a) The following definitions apply in this section:

(1) Health screening. – As defined in G.S. 122C-3(16a).

(2) Mental illness. – As defined in G.S. 122C-3(21).

(3) Outpatient treatment. – As defined in G.S. 122C-3(27).

(4) Qualified professional. – As defined in G.S. 122C-3(21).

(5) Substance abuse. – As defined in G.S. 122C-3(36).

(6) Unaccompanied homeless minor. – A minor who meets the definition of an
"unaccompanied youth" under 42 U.S.C. § 11434a(6).

(b) Subject to the requirements of subsection (c) of this section, an unaccompanied
homeless minor may give effective consent to the following health care providers for the
following health services:

(1) To a physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner licensed to practice
in this State under Article 1 of this Chapter for a physical examination that is
required for the youth's participation in a school activity, including an
extracurricular activity.

(2) To a dentist licensed to practice in this State under Article 2 of this Chapter
for any service that constitutes the practice of dentistry, as defined in
G.S. 90-29(b).



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- (3) To an optometrist licensed to practice in this State under Article 6 of this Chapter for any service that constitutes the practice of optometry, as defined in G.S. 90-114.
- (4) To a qualified professional for health screening, outpatient treatment, or a combination of these, for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of mental illness, substance abuse, or both.
- (c) In order to give effective consent under this section, an unaccompanied homeless minor shall provide to the health care provider acceptable documentation that he or she is an unaccompanied homeless minor. Acceptable documentation includes a statement documenting such status, signed by any of the following:
- (1) A director or designee of a governmental or nonprofit agency that receives public or private funds to provide services to individuals who are homeless.
- (2) A person designated as a local education agency liaison for homeless children and youth pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 11432(g)(1)(J)(ii).
- (3) A school social worker.
- (4) A school counselor.
- (5) An attorney representing the unaccompanied homeless minor in any legal matter.
- (6) The unaccompanied homeless minor and two adults with knowledge of the minor's actual circumstances.
- (d) The responsibility, liability, and immunity prescribed by G.S. 90-21.4 apply to qualified health professionals in the provision of services to unaccompanied homeless minors in the same manner as they apply to licensed physicians providing health services to minors.
- (e) This section shall not be construed to do any of the following:
- (1) Authorize the admission of an unaccompanied homeless minor to a 24-hour facility licensed under Article 2 of this Chapter, except as provided in G.S. 122C-223.
- (2) Prohibit the admission of an unaccompanied homeless minor to a 24-hour facility upon the minor's own written application in an emergency situation, as authorized by G.S. 122C-223.
- (3) Enlarge the scope of practice of any qualified health professional."

PART II. MINOR'S ACCESS TO CHILD CARE SERVICES

SECTION 2.1.(a) G.S. 143B-153 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143B-153. Social Services Commission – creation, powers and duties.

There is hereby created the Social Services Commission of the Department of Health and Human Services with the power and duty to adopt rules and regulations to be followed in the conduct of the State's social service programs with the power and duty to adopt, amend, and rescind rules and regulations under and not inconsistent with the laws of the State necessary to carry out the provisions and purposes of this Article. Provided, however, the Department of Health and Human Services shall have the power and duty to adopt rules and regulations to be followed in the conduct of the State's medical assistance program. ~~{The Commission has the following powers and duties:}~~ The Commission has the following powers and duties:

- ...
- (10) The Commission shall adopt rules facilitating access to child care for children experiencing homelessness, as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 98.2, including, but not limited to, rules that do any of the following:
- a. Establish homelessness as a need for care.
- b. Prioritize children experiencing homelessness on waiting lists.
- c. Allow parents of children experiencing homelessness to substitute school attendance for work requirements.

- 1 d. Limit work requirements to 20 hours per week for the parents of
2 children experiencing homelessness.
3 e. Allow parents of children experiencing homelessness to receive child
4 care for up to 90 days while those parents are seeking employment."

5 **SECTION 2.1.(b)** This section is effective when it becomes law.
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7 **PART III. EFFECTIVE DATE**

8 **SECTION 3.1.** Except as otherwise provided, this act becomes effective October 1,
9 2019.



HOUSE BILL 613: Essential Services For Homeless Youth.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee:	House Homelessness, Foster Care, and Dependency. If favorable, re-refer to Judiciary. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	April 25, 2019
Introduced by:	Reps. Fisher, Dobson	Prepared by:	Jason Moran-Bates Committee Staff
Analysis of:	First Edition		

OVERVIEW: *House Bill 613 would allow unaccompanied homeless minors to consent to medical treatment. It would also give the Social Services Commission the authority to adopt rules facilitating access to child care for homeless children.*

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 of the bill would allow individuals who are defined as "unaccompanied youths" under 42 U.S.C. 11434a(6) to consent to the following medical procedures: (i) physical examinations necessary for participation in school activities, (ii) dental services, (iii) optometry services, and (iv) mental health and substance abuse services. The individual seeking medical treatment would need to provide documentation of being an unaccompanied homeless minor. Medical professionals who provide treatment to unaccompanied homeless minors would be immune from suit for providing those services without parental consent.

Section 2 of the bill would amend G.S. 143B-153 to require the Social Services Commission to adopt rules facilitating access to child care for homeless children.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Section 1 of the bill would be effective October 1, 2019. Section 2 of the bill would be effective when it becomes law.

Karen Cochrane-Brown
Director



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GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 915

Short Title: Establish Task Force on Aging. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives White, R. Turner, Hurley, and Black (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Aging, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

April 22, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE ON AGING.

Whereas, North Carolina currently ranks ninth in the nation for the number of people 60 years of age or older and tenth in the nation for the number of people 85 years of age or older; and

Whereas, from 2015 to 2035, the number of people 65 years of age or older is projected to increase sixty-seven percent (67%), and the number of people 85 years of age or older is projected to increase one hundred two percent (102%); and

Whereas, by 2019, North Carolina will have more people that are 60 years of age or older than children age zero to 17; and

Whereas, an estimated 1.28 million family members in North Carolina provide varying degrees of unreimbursed care to adults who are elderly or disabled and limited in their daily activities; and

Whereas, family caregivers are the backbone of our long-term care system, providing an estimated eighty percent (80%) of care services needed to help relatives who are elderly or disabled; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) Part 14B of Article 3 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 143B-181A. Task Force on Aging – creation; membership; quorum; compensation.

(a) Task Force Established. – There is created the Task Force on Aging within the Department of Health and Human Services.

(b) Membership. – The Task Force shall consist of 17 members, appointed as follows:

(1) Four members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate as follows:

a. Two members of the Senate, one of whom shall be appointed to serve as cochair of the Task Force.

b. A family caregiver of an adult with a disability.

c. A director of a local provider of aging services.

(2) Four members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as follows:

a. Two members of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be appointed to serve as cochair of the Task Force.

b. A family caregiver of an adult age 60 or older.

c. A director of an Area Agency on Aging.



- 1 (3) The Director of the Division of Aging and Adult Services within the North
2 Carolina Department of Health and Human Services or the Director's
3 designee.
- 4 (4) The Director of Human Resources within the North Carolina Department of
5 Health and Human Services or the Director's designee.
- 6 (5) The Executive Director of the North Carolina Coalition on Aging or the
7 Executive Director's designee.
- 8 (6) The State Director of AARP North Carolina or the State Director's designee.
- 9 (7) The President of the North Carolina Chamber or the President's designee.
- 10 (8) The Executive Director of the North Carolina Council on Developmental
11 Disabilities or the Executive Director's designee.
- 12 (9) The Executive Director of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) –
13 North Carolina or the Executive Director's designee.
- 14 (10) Two public members appointed by the Governor.
- 15 (c) Appointment of Cochairs and members. – The President Pro Tempore of the Senate
16 shall appoint one of the Senate appointees as a cochair and the Speaker of the House of
17 Representative shall appoint one of the House of Representatives appointees as a cochair. Each
18 appointing authority shall ensure, insofar as possible, that its appointees to the Task Force reflect
19 the composition of the North Carolina population with regard to ethnic, racial, age, gender, and
20 religious composition.
- 21 (d) Terms; Vacancies. – All members shall be appointed for a term of four years.
22 Members may be reappointed to successive terms. A vacancy on the task force shall be filled by
23 the original appointing authority using the criteria for the prior appointment. Any appointment
24 to fill a vacancy on the Task Force created by the resignation, dismissal, death, disability, or
25 disqualification of a member shall be for the balance of the unexpired term.
- 26 (e) Removal. – The Governor may remove any member of the Task Force for
27 misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance, pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 143B-13.
- 28 (f) Meetings. – The Task Force may meet at any time upon the joint call of the cochairs.
29 The Task Force may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building.
- 30 (g) A majority of the Task Force shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 31 (h) The Department of Health and Human Services shall provide staff to assist the Task
32 Force in its work.
- 33 (i) Compensation. – Members of the Task Force shall receive necessary per diem,
34 subsistence, and travel allowances in accordance with G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5, or 138-6, as
35 appropriate.
- 36 **"§ 143B-181A.1. Task Force on Aging – powers and duties.**
- 37 The Task Force shall examine the availability of supports and services within the State for
38 caregivers of adults who are age 65 or older, or disabled, in order to (i) determine their service
39 needs and (ii) make recommendations to the General Assembly on how to address these identified
40 needs. In conducting this examination, the Task Force shall examine the following issues:
- 41 (1) Data and statistics concerning the prevalence of families providing care to
42 adults who are elderly or disabled, and limited in their daily activities.
- 43 (2) The characteristics of family caregivers and care recipients.
- 44 (3) The needs of care recipients and the nature of care provided by family
45 caregivers.
- 46 (4) Policies, resources, and programs that are available to support or assist family
47 caregivers and the frequency with which caregivers use these policies,
48 resources, and programs.
- 49 (5) The availability and sufficiency of caregiver training programs or caregiver
50 training opportunities, and the frequency with which caregivers engage in
51 these programs or opportunities.

- 1 (6) The costs associated with caregiving, including the reduction or loss of
2 caregiver income or employment benefits.
3 (7) The availability and sufficiency of financial support services to assist
4 caregivers, and the frequency with which caregivers use these services.
5 (8) The availability and sufficiency of respite care services, and the frequency
6 with which caregivers use these services.
7 (9) The cost to North Carolina employers for providing workforce
8 accommodations for family caregivers.
9 (10) The resulting cost to North Carolina employers and the North Carolina
10 economy when family caregivers leave the workforce.
11 (11) The availability of work-related policies that support family caregivers.
12 (12) Any other issues the Subcommittee deems relevant.

13 The Task Force may seek input from a variety of stakeholders and interest groups, including
14 the North Carolina Coalition on Aging; the North Carolina Senior Tarheel Legislature; and the
15 Governor's Advisory Council on Aging.

16 The Task Force, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided
17 under G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4.

18 **"§ 143B-181A.2. Task Force on Aging – report.**

19 The Task Force shall submit its first report to the General Assembly and the Joint Legislative
20 Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services prior to the convening of the 2021 General
21 Assembly and biennially thereafter. The report shall contain at least a summary of conclusions
22 for each of the duties assigned to the Task Force under G.S. 143B-181A.1, as well as any findings
23 or recommendations about increasing the availability of supports and services within the State
24 for caregivers of adults who are age 65 or older, or disabled. Any recommendations proposing
25 changes to law, rule, or policy shall be accompanied by specific legislative or policy proposals
26 and estimated implementation costs."

27 **SECTION 1.(b)** All appointing authorities shall make appointments to the Task
28 Force on Aging as provided in G.S. 143B-181A(b) by December 1, 2019, and the terms of all
29 members shall commence on December 1, 2019.

30 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2019.

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Signed Chairman, Representative Torbett

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Torbett", written over a horizontal line.

