

Subject Legal Immunity of Guardians; Task Force on Guardianships

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Overview

This bill amends the liability for guardians who recklessly or intentionally harmed the person subject to guardianship or violated laws or fiduciary responsibilities under the law. It also creates a task force to look into improved training, certification, and pay for guardians.

Summary

Section	Description
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1	Powers and duties of guardian.
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Removes a provision that provides immunity from personal liability for private guardians who fail to provide for a person subject to guardianship.

2	Rights and immunities of guardian; limitations.
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Provides that guardians who fail to provide for a person subject to a guardianship can be removed and are not held personally liable for their actions except when the guardian acted in a reckless or intentional way, violated a law, or breached a fiduciary duty that is provided in law.

3	Task force on guardianships.
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Creates a task force on guardianships to look into how to increase the number of guardians in the state, increase compensation for guardians when the person protected is unable to pay for a guardian, whether or not guardians should be certified or licensed, identify educational standards for guardians, and potentially creating a complaint system for guardians.

The task force will have members appointed from the house of representatives and senate, as well as public members appointed by the governor, including agencies and advocacy groups. The appointments must be made by June 30, 2024, and the task force must complete and submit a report by December 21, 2025.



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