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Overview

In January 2016, the Select Committee on Affordable Child Care was created. The committee visited communities throughout Minnesota to listen to issues presented by parents and by child care providers. This act creates a legislative task force to examine more fully some of the issues presented to the select committee.

Section

1 Legislative task force on child care.

Subd. 1. Creation. Creates a task force to evaluate issues related to affordability and accessibility of child care.

Subd. 2. Membership. Provides that the task force is composed of four members of the Senate and four members of the House with equal representation of minority and majority parties.

Subd. 3. Duties. Paragraph (a) lists issues that may be considered by the task force including, but not limited to, child care costs, accessibility, training for providers, uniform training for county licensors, streamlining paperwork requirements, and creating a board of child care.

Paragraph (b) allows the task force to receive input from the commissioners of human services and economic development

Subd. 4. Recommendations and report. Requires the task force to issue a report to the legislature and governor by January 15, 2017.

Effective date. Provides an immediate effective date and a sunset date of January 15, 2017.