

Subject Psychedelic Medicine Task Force

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Overview

This bill establishes a Psychedelic Medicine Task Force to provide information and advice to the legislature about legalizing psychedelic medicine in the state.

Summary

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1	Psychedelic Medicine Task Force.
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Establishes a Psychedelic Medicine Task Force to provide information and advice to the legislature about legalizing psychedelic medicine in the state.

Subd. 1. Establishment; purpose. Establishes the task force to advise the legislature on the legal, medical, and policy issues related to psychedelic medicine legalization.

Subd. 2. Membership; compensation. Establishes membership of the task force, consisting of the governor or a designee, legislative members, certain commissioners or designees, the attorney general or a designee, and members of the public with relevant knowledge and expertise, including persons representing the listed groups or with the listed qualifications or experience. Allows certain members to be reimbursed for expenses, and allows legislative members to receive per diem compensation from their respective bodies. Requires members to be appointed by July 15, 2023.

Subd. 3. Organization. Requires the commissioner of health or a designee to convene the first meeting of the task force, requires election of a chairperson and other officers deemed necessary at the first meeting, requires the first meeting to occur by August 1, 2023, and requires the task force to meet monthly or as determined by the chair.

Subd. 4. Staff. Requires the commissioner of health to provide staff support and meeting space for the task force.

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Subd. 5. Duties. Requires the task force to perform the following duties:

- survey existing studies about the efficacy of psychedelic medicine in treating mental health conditions, including the listed conditions;
- determine whether any specific psychedelic medicine is effective in treating mental health conditions;
- compare the efficacy of psychedelic medicine in treating mental health conditions with the efficacy of current treatments; and
- develop a comprehensive plan that covers state, local, and federal laws and policies governing psychedelic medicine; state law changes needed to legalize psychedelic medicine; and educating the public on legalization of psychedelic medicine.

Subd. 6. Reports. Requires the task force to submit two reports to certain members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and human services on the task force's findings regarding legalization and the comprehensive plan developed.



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