

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Task Force on Human Services Contracting Act
5 is amended by changing Sections 10 and 15 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 5140/10)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2021)

8 Sec. 10. Task Force on State Contracting with Private
9 Nonprofit Human Service Providers.

10 (a) The Task Force on State Contracting with Private
11 Nonprofit Human Service Providers is created to study State
12 contracting with private nonprofit human service providers and
13 to develop recommendations on how to improve the contracting
14 relationship and partnership between State departments and
15 agencies and private nonprofit human service providers so that
16 they work effectively and efficiently to improve the well-being
17 of Illinoisans. The Task Force shall perform the following
18 actions:

19 (1) Review data provided by State departments and
20 agencies that contract with private nonprofit human
21 service providers regarding the effectiveness of the
22 system of service provision.

23 (2) Collect and review data on each of the following:

1 (A) Service system planning: the means by which
2 State departments and agencies and private nonprofit
3 human service providers assess needs, identify gaps,
4 and establish system goals, especially the flow of
5 information collected by the State departments and
6 agencies and shared back with private nonprofit human
7 service providers.

8 (B) Contract negotiation: the process by which
9 State departments and agencies engage private
10 nonprofit human service providers to provide specific
11 services and achieve specific goals, especially the
12 adequacy of time to review and adjust.

13 (C) Reimbursement rate methodologies: the
14 processes by which State departments and agencies
15 establish rates, the frequency of review and
16 adjustment, and the adequacy of those rates to achieve
17 the outcomes sought by the State.

18 (D) Monitoring of service and administration: the
19 process by which State departments and agencies
20 evaluate performance, especially the efficiency of
21 data collection and review, and prevent or resolve
22 processes and reports that are duplicative, costly,
23 and wasteful of staff time and that slow the process of
24 permanency and contribute to unnecessary staff
25 turnover.

26 (E) Business processes: the means by which State

1 departments and agencies provide approvals for
2 services, activities, plans and changes, especially
3 preventing the unnecessary delays that arise from
4 delayed or slowed approvals, which also slow the
5 process of permanency and unnecessarily add to the
6 stress and trauma experience of children in State care.

7 (F) Timely payment: the process by which State
8 departments and agencies make payments, including the
9 timeliness of payments and the opportunities for
10 appeal; and the court of claims process as it relates
11 to human service contracting.

12 (3) In each of the study categories described in
13 subparagraphs (A) through (F) of paragraph (2), develop
14 recommendations on how to improve the contracting
15 relationship and partnership between State departments and
16 agencies and private nonprofit human service providers so
17 that they work effectively and efficiently to improve the
18 well-being of Illinoisans. The Task Force shall also issue
19 specific recommendations on procedures that will improve
20 the court of claims process, as it relates to human service
21 contracting, to make it operate more expeditiously and
22 efficiently.

23 (b) The Task Force shall consist of persons representing
24 nonprofit service providers that provide direct services to the
25 State concerning child care and child welfare, mental health,
26 developmental disabilities, domestic violence, early

1 intervention, alcohol and substance abuse treatment, and other
2 applicable nonprofit providers providing direct services at
3 the community level. Members of the Task Force shall be
4 appointed as follows:

5 (1) 7 members appointed by the President of the Senate,
6 one of whom shall be designated as Co-Chairperson;

7 (2) 7 ~~6~~ members appointed by the Senate Minority
8 Leader;

9 (3) 7 members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
10 Representatives, one of whom shall be designated as
11 Co-Chairperson; and

12 (4) 7 ~~6~~ members appointed by the Minority Leader of the
13 House of Representatives.

14 In addition, the Director of Children and Family Services,
15 the Director of Healthcare and Family Services, the Director of
16 Human Services, the Director of Human Rights, and the Director,
17 or his or her designee, of any other State agency that
18 contracts for direct human services shall each serve as an ex
19 officio member of the Task Force.

20 The Task Force shall also include at least 2, but no more
21 than 3, members that represent organizations or agencies that
22 provide research, analytics, and fiduciary analysis.

23 (c) The Task Force may establish a method to gather
24 testimony and input from individuals and organizations that are
25 not members of the Task Force.

26 (d) The Department of Human Services shall provide

1 administrative and other support to the Task Force.

2 (e) The Task Force shall submit a preliminary report to the
3 Auditor General, the General Assembly, and the Governor no
4 later than October 1, 2020 ~~2019~~, and a final report, along with
5 recommendations and any proposed legislation, to the General
6 Assembly and the Governor by January 1, 2021 ~~2020~~.

7 The reports to the General Assembly shall be filed with the
8 Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the
9 Senate in electronic form only, in the manner that the Clerk
10 and the Secretary shall direct.

11 (f) The Task Force is dissolved on January 1, 2022 ~~2021~~.

12 (Source: P.A. 100-1128, eff. 11-27-18.)

13 (20 ILCS 5140/15)

14 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2021)

15 Sec. 15. Repeal. This Act is repealed on January 1, 2022
16 ~~2021~~.

17 (Source: P.A. 100-1128, eff. 11-27-18.)

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
19 becoming law.