

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 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Hydrogen Economy Act.

6 Section 5. Hydrogen Economy Task Force.

7 (a) The Hydrogen Economy Task Force is hereby established.

8 (b) The Task Force shall consist of the following members:

9 (1) one member of the Senate, appointed by the
10 President of the Senate;

11 (2) one member of the Senate, appointed by the
12 Minority Leader of the Senate;

13 (3) one member of the House of Representatives,
14 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

15 (4) one member of the House of Representatives,
16 appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of
17 Representatives;

18 (5) one member representing the Governor's Office of
19 Management and Budget, appointed by the Governor;

20 (6) one member representing a statewide labor
21 organization, appointed by the Governor;

22 (7) one member representing a national laboratory that
23 researches alternate fuels, energy, and environmental

1 impacts, appointed by the Governor;

2 (8) one member from the Office of Energy, appointed by
3 the Director of the Illinois Environmental Protection
4 Agency;

5 (9) one member representing local economic development
6 interests, appointed by the Director of Commerce and
7 Economic Opportunity;

8 (10) one member representing a trade association,
9 appointed by the Director of Commerce and Economic
10 Opportunity;

11 (11) one representative of a manufacturing
12 association, appointed by the Director of Commerce and
13 Economic Opportunity;

14 (12) one representative of a community-based
15 organization that supports environmental justice
16 communities, appointed by the Director of Commerce and
17 Economic Opportunity;

18 (13) one member representing the University of
19 Illinois Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and
20 Environment, appointed by the President of the University
21 of Illinois System;

22 (14) the Director of the Illinois Power Agency or his
23 or her designee;

24 (15) the Chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission
25 or his or her designee;

26 (16) the Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

1 or his or her designee;

2 (17) the Director of Natural Resources or his or her
3 designee;

4 (18) the Secretary of Transportation or his or her
5 designee;

6 (19) the Director of Agriculture or his or her
7 designee;

8 (20) the Chair of the Illinois Community College Board
9 or his or her designee; and

10 (21) one member with knowledge of public safety,
11 appointed by the State Fire Marshal.

12 (c) The members of the Task Force shall serve without
13 compensation.

14 (d) The Task Force shall meet at least quarterly to
15 fulfill its duties under this Act. At the first meeting of the
16 Task Force, the Task Force shall elect a Chair from among its
17 members.

18 (e) The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
19 shall provide administrative support to the Task Force.

20 Section 10. Duties. The Task Force shall have the
21 following duties:

22 (1) establish a plan to create, support, develop, or
23 partner with a Hydrogen Hub in this State, and determine
24 how to maximize federal financial incentives to support
25 Hub development;

1 (2) identify opportunities to integrate hydrogen in
2 the transportation, energy, industrial, agricultural, and
3 other sectors;

4 (3) identify barriers to the widespread development of
5 hydrogen, including within environmental justice
6 communities; and

7 (4) recommend government policies to catalyze the
8 deployment of hydrogen in the State economy.

9 Section 15. Report. The Task Force shall report to the
10 Governor and the General Assembly by December 1 of each year on
11 its activities, findings, and recommendations.

12 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
13 becoming law.