



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2015 and 2016

HB6114

Introduced 2/11/2016, by Rep. Terri Bryant

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the FGD Task Force Act. Creates the FGD Task Force. Provides for the membership of the Task Force, who shall serve without compensation. Requires the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by December 31, 2016. Requires the Department of Natural Resources and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to provide administrative and other support to the Task Force. Repeals the Act on January 1, 2018. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

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 FGD
5 Task Force Act.

6 Section 5. Purpose. The purpose of the FGD Task Force is to
7 study the cost benefits of constructing new and converting
8 existing stacks at coal-fired power plants with flue gas
9 desulfurization scrubber technology for the purposes of safely
10 burning more Illinois-mined coal.

11 Section 10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

12 "FGD" means flue gas desulfurization.

13 "Task Force" means the FGD Task Force

14 Section 15. The Task Force.

15 (a) There is hereby created the FGD Task Force to study and
16 make recommendations for the construction of new stacks at
17 coal-fired power plants with FGD scrubber technology and the
18 conversion of existing stacks at coal-fired power plants to FGD
19 scrubber technology.

20 (b) The membership of the Task Force shall be as follows:

21 (1) Two members of the Senate appointed by the

1 President of the Senate.

2 (2) Two members of the Senate appointed by the Minority
3 Leader of the Senate.

4 (3) Two members of the House of appointed by the
5 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

6 (4) Two members of the House of Representatives
7 appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of
8 Representatives.

9 (5) Two members appointed by the Governor with
10 expertise in Illinois coal, coal mining, emission
11 reduction, or energy production.

12 (6) The Director of Natural Resources, or his or her
13 designee.

14 (7) The Director of the Environmental Protection
15 Agency, or his or her designee.

16 (c) Task Force members shall serve without compensation but
17 shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in performing
18 their duties.

19 (d) The Task Force shall report their findings and
20 recommendations to the General Assembly by December 31, 2016.

21 Section 20. Administrative support. The Department of
22 Natural Resources and the Illinois Environmental Protection
23 Agency shall provide administrative and other support to the
24 Task Force.

1 Section 25. Repeal. This Act is repealed on January 1,
2 2018.

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
4 becoming law.