By Senator Brandes

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Department of Management Services; amending s. 287.057, F.S.; creating the Statewide Procurement Efficiency Task Force within the department; specifying the purpose and membership of the task force; providing meeting requirements; providing for administrative and technical support of the task force; providing that task force members shall serve without compensation or reimbursement of expenses; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a certain date; providing for the termination of the task force; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (24) is added to section 287.057, Florida Statutes, to read:

287.057 Procurement of commodities or contractual services.—

- (24) There is created the Statewide Procurement Efficiency
 Task Force for the purpose of evaluating the effectiveness and
 value of state and local procurement laws and policies to the
 taxpayers of this state and determining where inconsistencies in
 such laws and policies exist.
- (a) The task force shall be composed of the following 11 members:
- 1. The Secretary of Management Services or his or her designee, who shall serve as chair of the task force.

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- 2. Six members appointed by the Governor, as follows:
- a. One county government official.
 - b. One municipal government official.
 - c. One district school board member.
 - d. Three representatives of the business community.
 - 3. Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as follows:
 - a. A member of the House of Representatives.
 - b. An attorney who is a member in good standing of The Florida Bar and has expertise in procurement law.
 - $\underline{\text{4. Two members appointed by the President of the Senate, as}}$ follows:
 - a. A member of the Senate.
 - b. An attorney who is a member in good standing of The Florida Bar and has expertise in procurement law.
 - (b) Task force members must be appointed by July 31, 2017. By August 31, 2017, the task force shall meet to establish procedures for the conduct of its business and to elect a vice chair. The task force shall meet at the call of the chair. A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum, and a quorum is necessary for the purpose of voting on any action or recommendation of the task force. All meetings shall be held in Tallahassee, unless otherwise decided by the task force, and then no more than two such meetings may be held in other locations for the purpose of taking public testimony. Administrative and technical support shall be provided by the department. Task force members shall serve without compensation and are not entitled to reimbursement for per diem or travel expenses.

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(c) The task force must submit a final report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by July 1, 2018. Such report must, at a minimum, include recommendations for consideration by the Legislature to promote procurement efficiency, streamline procurement policies, establish best management practices, and encourage increased use of state term contracts.

(d) The task force is terminated December 31, 2018. Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.