

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Capitol Relocation Task Force;
 3 creating a task force for the purpose of identifying,
 4 considering, and recommending options for the
 5 relocation of the state capitol building, certain
 6 executive branch officers, and the legislature;
 7 providing for task force membership, duties, and
 8 dissolution; directing the office of the Chief
 9 Financial Officer to provide funding and technical and
 10 administrative support to the task force; providing
 11 for a report to be submitted to the Governor and the
 12 Legislature; requiring the Legislature to take certain
 13 actions; providing an effective date.

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

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 17 Section 1. (1) The Capitol Relocation Task Force is
 18 created for the purpose of conducting a study that identifies,
 19 considers, and recommends options for the relocation of the
 20 state capitol building; the offices of the Governor, Lieutenant
 21 Governor, and Cabinet officers; and the legislative branch of
 22 government.

23 (2) (a) All members of the task force shall be appointed on
 24 or before August 15, 2018, and the task force shall hold its
 25 first meeting on or before September 15, 2018. The task force

26 | shall be composed of nine members as follows:

27 | 1. Three members appointed by the Governor.

28 | 2. Two members appointed by the President of the Senate.

29 | 3. Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
 30 | Representatives.

31 | 4. Two members appointed by the union that represents
 32 | state employees.

33 | (b) Members of the task force may participate in meetings
 34 | by telephone or other electronic means of communication.

35 | (c) Members of the task force shall serve without
 36 | compensation while performing their duties but are entitled to
 37 | reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses in accordance
 38 | with s. 112.061, Florida Statutes.

39 | (d) The office of the Chief Financial Officer shall
 40 | provide funding and technical and administrative support to the
 41 | task force.

42 | (3) (a) In conducting the study, the task force must
 43 | consider, at a minimum:

44 | 1. Ease of travel to the state capitol for members of the
 45 | public.

46 | 2. Total cost of travel to and from the state capitol for
 47 | members of the Legislature during interim committee weeks and
 48 | legislative session.

49 | 3. Relocating the state capitol building; the offices of
 50 | the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Cabinet officers; and the

51 legislative branch of government, and the associated costs of
52 such relocation. The task force shall not consider relocation of
53 the agencies under the Cabinet officers or the other state
54 agencies.

55 4. The economic impact of relocating the state capitol on
56 the city of Tallahassee, Leon County, and the surrounding cities
57 and counties.

58 (b) The task force may obtain data, information, and
59 assistance from any state agency, local government, or any
60 political subdivision thereof, which shall provide the task
61 force with all relevant information and assistance on any matter
62 within their knowledge or control.

63 (4) No later than 18 months after the first meeting of the
64 task force, the task force shall submit a report, including
65 findings and recommendations, to the Governor, the President of
66 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The
67 task force is dissolved upon submission of the report.

68 (5) The Legislature shall consider the findings and
69 recommendations of the task force and make a determination
70 concerning relocation of the state capitol building; the offices
71 of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Cabinet officers; and
72 the legislative branch of government. If the Legislature
73 determines that such relocation is appropriate, the Legislature
74 shall by joint resolution propose a constitutional amendment to
75 effect the relocation.

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76 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018. |