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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability
(Rader) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. There is created the Assisted and Independent
Living Task Force, a task force as defined in s. 20.03(8),
Florida Statutes, that shall develop and evaluate policy
proposals that incentivize building contractors and developers
to create space for assisted living facilities and independent
living communities within mixed-use developments which may be



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11 used as low-cost, supportive, and affordable housing for
12 individuals who are in need of such housing and who have an
13 intellectual disability or autism, as those terms are defined in
14 s. 393.063, or a mental illness, as defined in s. 394.455.

15 (1) The task force is established adjunct to the Agency for
16 Persons with Disabilities for administrative purposes only. The
17 agency shall use existing and available resources to administer
18 and support the activities of the task force under this section.

19 (2) The task force shall be composed of the following 20
20 members:

21 (a) The director of the Agency for Persons with
22 Disabilities or his or her designee, who shall serve as the
23 chair of the task force.

24 (b) The Secretary of Children and Families or his or her
25 designee.

26 (c) The executive director of the Department of Economic
27 Opportunity or his or her designee.

28 (d) The Secretary of Business and Professional Regulation
29 or his or her designee.

30 (e) The executive director of the Commission for the
31 Transportation Disadvantaged or his or her designee.

32 (f) A representative from the Florida Supportive Housing
33 Coalition.

34 (g) A representative from the Florida Housing Finance
35 Corporation.

36 (h) A representative from the Florida Housing Coalition.

37 (i) A representative from the Florida Independent Living
38 Council.

39 (j) A representative from the National Alliance on Mental



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40 Illness of Florida.

41 (k) A representative from the Florida Council for Community
42 Mental Health.

43 (l) A representative from the Florida League of Cities.

44 (m) A representative from the Florida Association of
45 Counties.

46 (n) A representative from the Florida Coalition for the
47 Homeless.

48 (o) A representative from the Association of Florida
49 Community Developers.

50 (p) A representative from the Associated Builders and
51 Contractors, Inc., of Florida.

52 (q) A representative from the Florida Alliance for
53 Assistive Services and Technology.

54 (r) A representative from the Florida Assisted Living
55 Association.

56 (s) A representative from the Florida Association of
57 Managing Entities.

58 (t) An attorney who is a member in good standing of the
59 Elder Law Section of the Florida Bar.

60 (3) Members of the task force shall serve without
61 compensation and are not entitled to reimbursement for per diem
62 or travel expenses.

63 (4) The task force shall convene its first meeting by
64 August 1, 2019, and shall meet as often as necessary to fulfill
65 its responsibilities under this section. Meetings may be
66 conducted in person, by teleconference, or by other electronic
67 means.

68 (5) The task force shall review the funding methodology for



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69 assisted living facilities that provide care to adults with
70 mental illness and those with intellectual disabilities or
71 autism. The task force shall develop recommendations for policy
72 changes to the funding methodology for assisted living
73 facilities that accept residents with mental illness or
74 intellectual disabilities, including autism for consideration by
75 the state agencies and provide a written stage one report to the
76 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
77 House no later than November 1, 2019.

78 (6) In consultation with the applicable local and state
79 governmental entities, the task force shall:

80 (a) Identify potential barriers and opportunities in
81 existing policies, rules, or laws to incentivize building
82 contractors and developers to create space for assisted living
83 facilities and independent living communities within mixed-use
84 developments.

85 (b) Recommend modifications to existing policies, rules, or
86 laws or propose new policies, rules, or laws that would allow
87 for the creation of space for assisted living facilities and
88 independent living communities within mixed-use developments.

89 (c) Recommend financial and regulatory incentives to
90 encourage building contractors and developers to create space
91 for assisted living facilities and independent living
92 communities within mixed-use developments.

93 (d) Propose funding mechanisms for the development and
94 maintenance of spaces for assisted living facilities and
95 independent living communities within mixed-use developments.

96 (e) Propose an overall governing structure for managing
97 spaces for assisted living facilities and independent living



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98 communities within mixed-use developments.

99 (7) The task force shall submit a final report by February
100 1, 2020, to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the
101 Speaker of the House of Representatives which includes its
102 findings, conclusions, and recommendations.

103 (8) The task force is terminated upon the submission of its
104 final report.

105 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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108 And the title is amended as follows:

109 Delete everything before the enacting clause
110 and insert:

111 An act relating to the Assisted and Independent Living Task
112 Force; creating the task force to evaluate proposals that
113 incentivize building contractors and developers to create space
114 for assisted living facilities and independent living
115 communities within mixed-use developments; establishing the task
116 force adjunct to the Agency for Persons with Disabilities;
117 providing for duties, membership, and meetings of the task
118 force; requiring the task force to submit a written stage one
119 report and a final report to the Governor and Legislature by a
120 specified date; providing for termination of the task force;
121 providing an effective date.