

By Senator Montford

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Statewide Emergency Shelter
3 Task Force; establishing the task force adjunct to the
4 Department of Management Services; specifying the task
5 force's purpose; providing for the membership of the
6 task force; providing requirements and restrictions
7 for members of the task force; authorizing
8 reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses;
9 requiring the task force to report recommendations to
10 the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date;
11 providing for expiration; providing an effective date.

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

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15 Section 1. (1) The Statewide Emergency Shelter Task Force,
16 a task force as defined in s. 20.03(8), Florida Statutes, is
17 established adjunct to the Department of Management Services.
18 The purpose of the task force is to make recommendations to the
19 Governor and the Legislature regarding the establishment and
20 operation of state-designated emergency shelters. The
21 recommendations must include, but are not limited to, a review
22 of the local, state, and federal activities organized, planned,
23 and executed at emergency shelters during the past 10 years,
24 with a specific focus on the following:

25 (a) A review of all resources, including financial
26 resources, provided in the designation and operation of
27 emergency shelters, and whether the process used to designate
28 and operate emergency shelters was effective in the preparation,
29 operation, and cleanup of such shelters; and

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30 (b) A quantification of any expenditures for the operation
31 and cleanup of emergency shelters, including repair expenditures
32 for any damage caused by the emergency shelter's occupation
33 which have been less than the actual costs of completing such
34 tasks; the governmental entity that was responsible for paying
35 such uncovered costs; and whether the deficit was due to a lack
36 of resources or a local, state, or federal policy.

37 (2) The task force is composed of the following members:

38 (a) One member representing state facilities, who shall
39 serve as chair, appointed by the secretary of the Department of
40 Management Services.

41 (b) One public school superintendent, appointed by the
42 Commissioner of Education.

43 (c) One member representing Florida College System
44 institutions and state universities, appointed by the Chancellor
45 of the State University System.

46 (d) One member representing charter schools, appointed by
47 the Commissioner of Education.

48 (e) One member representing independent postsecondary
49 institutions, appointed by the Commissioner of Education.

50 (f) One member representing emergency response agencies,
51 appointed by the director of the Division of Emergency
52 Management.

53 (g) One member representing facilities constructed with the
54 assistance of state funds, appointed by the Governor.

55 (3) Members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing
56 authority. Any vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the
57 original appointment. A member of the Legislature or a
58 registered legislative or executive branch lobbyist may not be

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59 appointed to the task force. In accordance with s. 20.052(4)(d),
60 Florida Statutes, members shall serve without compensation but
61 are entitled to reimbursement of travel and per diem expenses as
62 provided in s. 112.061, Florida Statutes, in the performance of
63 their duties and responsibilities under this section.

64 (4) The task force shall report its recommendations
65 regarding the establishment and operation of state-designated
66 emergency shelters to the Governor, the President of the Senate,
67 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 15,
68 2020.

69 (5) This section expires May 15, 2021.

70 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.