1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the Task Force on Workforce Housing 3 for Teachers and Expansion of Schools; providing 4 legislative findings; creating the task force adjunct 5 to the Department of Economic Opportunity; requiring 6 the department to provide administrative and staff 7 support; specifying the purpose and the composition of 8 the task force; defining the term "workforce housing"; 9 specifying the duties of the task force; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and the 10 11 Legislature by a specified date; requiring state agencies to assist and cooperate with the task force; 12 13 encouraging local governments to assist and cooperate with the task force; providing for expiration of the 14 15 task force; providing an effective date. 16 17 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 18 19 Section 1. (1) The Legislature finds that recent rapid 20 increases in the median purchase price of homes and the cost of 21 rental housing have far outpaced the income of teachers in this 22 state, preventing essential teachers from living in the 23 communities where they serve and thereby creating the need for 24 innovative solutions for the provision of housing opportunities 25 for teachers. The Legislature further finds that there is a need

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26	for additional classrooms and instructional space for children.					
27	To this end, the Legislature finds that the establishment of the					
28	Task Force on Workforce Housing for Teachers and Expansion of					
29	Schools is an appropriate measure to identify ways to fulfill					
30	this need in communities throughout the state.					
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32	Expansion of Schools, a task force as defined in s. 20.03(8),					
33	Florida Statutes, is created adjunct to the Department of					
34	Economic Opportunity to study issues related to the need for					
35	affordable housing for teachers and for additional classrooms					
36	and instructional space and to identify the best means of					
37	meeting those needs. Except as otherwise provided in this					
38	section, the task force shall operate in a manner consistent					
39	with s. 20.052, Florida Statutes. The department shall provide					
40	administrative and staff support relating to the functions of					
41	the task force.					
42	(3) The task force is composed of the following members,					
43	who shall be appointed no later than August 1, 2023:					
44	(a) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the					
45	House of Representatives shall each appoint five members, none					
46	of whom may be a member of the Legislature at the time of his or					
47	her appointment, as follows:					
48	1. One member of a board of county commissioners;					
49	2. One member of a governing body of a municipality;					
50	3. One member of a district school board;					
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51 4. A developer; and 52 5. A homebuilder. 53 (b) The Governor shall appoint two members, one of whom is 54 an affordable housing advocate who may not have a current or 55 past direct business relationship with any local government, 56 district school board, developer, or homebuilder. The Governor 57 shall designate one of his or her appointees as chair of the 58 task force. 59 (c) One member of the Senate, appointed by the President 60 of the Senate. 61 (d) One member of the House of Representatives, appointed 62 by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. 63 (e) The Commissioner of Education or his or her designee. 64 (f) The Secretary of Environmental Protection or his or 65 her designee. 66 (q) The Secretary of Economic Opportunity or his or her 67 designee. 68 (h) The Secretary of Management Services or his or her 69 designee. 70 71 The chair of the task force may request that representatives of 72 appropriate federal agencies participate as ex officio, 73 nonvoting members. 74 (4) For purposes of this section, the term "workforce 75 housing" means housing affordable to natural persons or families Page 3 of 5

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76	whose total annual household income does not exceed 80 percent					
77	of the area median income, adjusted for household size.					
78	(5) The task force shall:					
79	(a) Study the feasibility of using surplus, state-owned					
80	land and buildings for workforce housing for teachers and					
81	classroom and instructional space for students.					
82	(b) Identify the costs associated with the development of					
83	surplus, state-owned land and buildings for workforce housing					
84	for teachers and additional classroom and instructional space,					
85	including costs arising out of potential partnerships between					
86	state government, local governments, and the private sector.					
87	(c) Identify the need and availability of grants for					
88	workforce housing for teachers and additional classroom and					
89	instructional space for students.					
90	(d) Identify the areas of this state which have the					
91	greatest need for workforce housing for teachers and additional					
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101 force. 102 (h) Identify any statutory changes necessary to achieve 103 the objectives of the task force. 104 (6) The task force shall submit a report of its findings 105 and recommendations to the Governor, the President of the 106 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by February 1, 2024. 107 108 (7) All state agencies shall cooperate with and assist the task force to the fullest extent possible. All local governments 109 110 are encouraged to assist and cooperate with the task force, as 111 necessary. 112 (8) This section expires July 1, 2024. 113 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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