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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to a task force on affordable housing;
3 creating a task force on affordable housing; directing
4 the task force to be assigned to the Florida Housing
5 Finance Corporation for administrative purposes;
6 directing the task force to convene no later than a
7 specified date; providing membership requirements;
8 directing the corporation to provide administrative
9 and staff support services to the task force;
10 requiring members of the task force to serve without
11 compensation; providing members certain entitlements
12 to reimbursement, subject to certain requirements;
13 directing the task force to develop recommendations
14 for the state's affordable housing needs, subject to
15 certain requirements; directing the task force to
16 submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by
17 a specified date; terminating the task force by a
18 specified date; providing an effective date.

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

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22 Section 1. (1) There is created a task force on affordable
23 housing. The task force is assigned to the Florida Housing
24 Finance Corporation for administrative purposes only.

25 (2) The task force shall convene no later than September 1,
26 2017, and shall be composed of the following 10 members:

27 (a) The executive director of the Florida Housing Finance
28 Corporation, who shall serve as chair of the task force.

29 (b) The executive director of the Department of Economic
30 Opportunity or his or her designee.

31 (c) Two members appointed by the Governor.

32 (d) Two members appointed by the President of the Senate.

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33 (e) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
34 Representatives.

35 (f) The executive director of the Florida Association of
36 Counties or his or her designee.

37 (g) The executive director of the Florida League of Cities
38 or his or her designee.

39 (3) (a) The Florida Housing Finance Corporation shall
40 provide administrative and staff support services to the task
41 force which relate to its functions.

42 (b) Members of the task force shall serve without
43 compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and
44 travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061, Florida Statutes.
45 Per diem and travel expenses incurred by a member of the task
46 force shall be paid from funds budgeted to the state agency or
47 entity that the member represents.

48 (4) (a) The task force shall develop recommendations for
49 addressing the state's affordable housing needs. The
50 recommendations shall be presented to and approved by the board
51 of directors of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. The
52 recommendations shall include, but are not limited to:

53 1. A review of market rate developments.

54 2. A review of affordable housing developments.

55 3. A review of land use for affordable housing
56 developments.

57 4. A review of building codes for affordable housing
58 developments.

59 5. A review of the states' implementation of the low-income
60 housing tax credit.

61 6. A review of private and public sector development and

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62 construction industries.

63 7. A review of the rental market for assisted rental
64 housing.

65 8. The development of strategies and pathways for low-
66 income housing.

67 (b) The task force shall submit a report containing the
68 approved recommendations to the Governor, the President of the
69 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
70 January 1, 2018.

71 (5) The task force is abolished June 30, 2018, or at an
72 earlier date as provided by the task force.

73 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.