

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 SB1825

Introduced 2/9/2011, by Sen. Toi W. Hutchinson

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 605/605-1010 new

Amends the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Creates the Regulatory Review and Economic Growth Task Force. Sets forth the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the goals of the task force include: drafting a model of regulatory reform to ease business creation for small and large businesses alike; a thorough examination of the current laws, administrative rules, and tax expenditures that support entrepreneurship; and recommending changes to the State's tax laws to produce a more favorable business climate. Requires the Task Force to hold public hearings. Requires the Task Force to submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2011. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section 605-1010 as follows:
- 7 (20 ILCS 605/605-1010 new)
- 8 <u>Sec. 605-1010. Regulatory Review and Economic Growth Task</u> 9 Force.

10 (a) The Regulatory Review and Economic Growth Task Force is hereby created within the Department. The Task Force shall 11 12 consist of 13 members. The following members shall be appointed within 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act 13 14 of the 97th General Assembly: 2 members appointed by the President of the Senate; 2 members appointed by the Senate 15 Minority Leader; 2 members appointed by the Speaker of the 16 House of Representatives; 2 members appointed by the House 17 Minority Leader; and one member appointed by the Governor. One 18 of those members shall be elected Chairperson by a majority 19 20 vote. Within 30 days after a Chairperson is selected, the 21 Chairperson shall make the following additional appointments 22 to the Task Force: one member of the public representing a metropolitan business or commerce organization; one member of 2.3

the public representing an employees' union; one member of the public representing a statewide business organization; and one member with academic experience concerning State-level business regulations. Members shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for expenses associated with the Task Force. The Task Force shall begin to conduct business upon the appointment of all members. For purposes of Task Force meetings, other than an initial meeting to elect a chairperson, a quorum is 7 members. If a vacancy occurs on the Task Force, a successor member shall be appointed by the original appointing authority. Meetings of the Task Force are subject to the Open Meetings Act.

- (b) The goals of the task force include, but are not limited to: drafting a model of regulatory reform to ease business creation for small and large businesses alike; a thorough examination of the current laws, administrative rules, and tax expenditures that support entrepreneurship; and recommending changes to the State's tax laws to produce a more favorable business climate. The Task Force shall hold at least 3 public hearings where those issues are discussed. The Task Force may establish any committees it deems necessary.
- (c) The Chairperson of the Task Force shall extend an invitation to chairpersons and minority spokespersons of appropriate legislative committees to attend all meetings of the Task Force. The Chairperson may invite other individuals to participate in subcommittees of the Task Force and to take part

- 1 <u>in discussions.</u>
- (d) All findings, recommendations, public postings, and 2 3 other relevant information shall be posted on the Department's 4 website. The Department shall provide staff and administrative 5 support to the Task Force. The Department and the Task Force 6 may accept donated services and other resources from registered not-for profit organizations that may be necessary to complete 7 the work of the Task Force. The Task Force shall report its 8 9 findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than December 31, 2011, and shall be 10 11 dissolved upon submission of the report.
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.