AN ACT concerning government.

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

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Youth Unemployment Task Force Act.

Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:
"Department" means the Department of Human Services.
"Secretary" means the Secretary of Human Services.
"Task Force" means the Youth Unemployment Task Force.

Section 10. The Youth Unemployment Task Force.
(a) There is hereby created the Youth Unemployment Task Force.
(b) The Task Force shall include the following members:
   (1) the Secretary of Human Services, or his or her designee;
   (2) the Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunities, or his or designee;
   (3) a representative of a Chicago-based organization focused on economic, educational, and social programs for African Americans, appointed by the Secretary;
   (4) a representative of a Chicago-based organization that connects partner communities and member schools to
resources to improve outcomes of target populations, appointed by the Secretary; and

(5) representatives of other community-based organizations that focus on youth employment initiatives, appointed by the Secretary.

(c) The Task Force shall meet to organize and select a chairperson from the non-governmental members of the Task Force upon appointment of a majority of the members. The chairperson shall be elected by a majority vote of the members appointed to the Task Force, and the elected chairperson of the Task Force shall provide technical support and assistance to the Task Force and shall be responsible for administering its operations and ensuring that the requirements of this Act are met.

(d) The Task Force may consult with any persons or entities it deems necessary to carry out its purposes.

(e) The members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation for serving as members of the Task Force.

(f) The Task Force shall examine the State-wide youth unemployment crisis, and its particular effect on young people of color, including recommendations on how to improve employment among young people of color in this State.

(g) The Task Force shall submit its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor on or before January 1, 2017.

Section 15. Repeal. This Act is repealed on January 1,
Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.