

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 85th General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 1124

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5 By: Senator Steele
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TASK FORCE ON
10 HISPANIC AFFAIRS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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13 AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TASK FORCE
14 ON HISPANIC AFFAIRS.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 25 is amended to add an additional
20 chapter to read as follow:

21 § 25-37-101.

22 (a) There is established a task force to be known as the "Arkansas
23 Task Force on Hispanic Affairs".

24 (b) The task force shall consist of nine (9) members as follows:

25 (1) Three (3) persons appointed by the Governor;

26 (2) Three (3) persons appointed the President Pro Tempore of the
27 Senate; and

28 (3) Three (3) persons appointed by the Speaker of the House of
29 Representatives.

30 (c) The appointed task force members shall be:

31 (1) Individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to the
32 promotion of Hispanic culture; and

33 (2) Residents of the State of Arkansas at the time of
34 appointment and throughout their terms.

35 (d)(1) In 2005, three (3) members shall be appointed by the Speaker
36 of the House of Representatives as follows:



- 1 (A) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2007;
 2 (B) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2008; and
 3 (C) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2009.

4 (2) In 2005, three (3) members shall be appointed by the
 5 President Pro Tempore of the Senate as follows:

- 6 (A) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2007;
 7 (B) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2008; and
 8 (C) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2009.

9 (3) In 2005, three (3) members shall be appointed by the
 10 Governor as follows:

- 11 (A) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2007;
 12 (B) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2008; and
 13 (C) One (1) for a term to expire June 30, 2009.

14 (4) Subsequent appointments shall be for a terms of four (4)
 15 years.

16 (e) The task force shall select a chair at the first organizational
 17 meeting.

18 (f)(1) If for any reason a vacancy occurs in an appointed position,
 19 the vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the official that made the
 20 appointment.

21 (2) The new appointee shall serve for the remainder of the
 22 unexpired term.

23 (g)(1) The task force shall meet at times and places the chair deems
 24 necessary, but no meetings shall be held outside of the State of Arkansas.

25 (2) A majority of the members of the task force shall constitute
 26 a quorum for the purpose of transacting business.

27 (3) All actions of the task force shall be by a majority vote of
 28 the full membership of the task force.

29 (h)(1) The task force shall:

30 (2) Develop, coordinate, and assist other public and private
 31 organizations with the understanding Hispanic culture;

32 (3) Gather and disseminate information and conduct hearings,
 33 conferences and special studies on problems and programs impacting Hispanics;
 34 and

35 (4)Conduct training programs for community leadership.

36 (i)(1) General staff support, facilities, and operating assistance for

1 the task force shall be provided by the Governor's office.

2 (2)(A) Members of the task force Shall serve without pay.

3 (B) May receive expense reimbursement in accordance with §
4 25-16-902, to the extent funds are available.

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