

SENATE BILL No. 98

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

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AN ACT concerning the task force on long-term care services; relating to the membership; amending K.S.A. 65-6206 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 65-6206 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-6206. (a) A task force on long-term care services is hereby established to study state and federal laws and rules and regulations which impact on the services provided by government and the private sector to citizens who are consumers of long-term care services, the financing of these services, both public and private, the effectiveness of partnering activities between state agencies and long-term care providers and such other matters relating thereto as the task force deems appropriate.

(b) The task force shall consist of ~~20~~ 22 members appointed as follows:

(1) Seven members appointed by the legislative coordinating council, three of whom shall be consumers of long-term care services, three of whom shall be providers of long-term care services, *two of whom shall be either a provider or a consumer of home and community based services representing those consumers who are not the frail elderly* and one of whom shall be a trustee or board member of a long-term care facility;

(2) two members appointed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be a member of the senate committee on ways and means and one of whom shall be a member of the house committee on appropriations and both of whom shall be from different political parties;

(3) two members appointed by the president of the senate, one of whom shall be a member of the senate committee on public health and welfare and one of whom shall be a member of the senate committee on financial institutions and insurance;

(4) two members appointed by the minority leader of the senate, one of whom shall be a member of the senate committee on public health and welfare and one of whom shall be a member of the senate committee on financial institutions and insurance;

(5) two members appointed by the speaker of the house of represen-

1 tatives, one of whom shall be a member of the house committee on health
2 and human services and one of whom shall be a member of the house
3 committee on insurance;

4 (6) two members appointed by the minority leader of the house of
5 representatives, one of whom shall be a member of the house committee
6 on health and human services and one of whom shall be a member of the
7 house committee on insurance. Of the seven members appointed by the
8 legislative coordinating council, no more than two members shall reside
9 in any one congressional district;

10 (7) one member shall be the secretary of social and rehabilitation
11 services or the secretary's designee;

12 (8) one member shall be the secretary of health and environment or
13 the secretary's designee; and

14 (9) one member shall be the secretary of aging or the secretary's
15 designee.

16 (c) The legislative coordinating council shall appoint the chairperson
17 and vice-chairperson from among the membership of the task force, the
18 chairperson to be appointed from among the legislator members of the
19 task force. Staffing for the task force shall be available from the legislative
20 research department, the revisor of statutes office and the division of
21 legislative administrative services if authorized by the legislative coordi-
22 nating council.

23 (d) The members of the task force shall receive reimbursement for
24 attending meetings of the task force as authorized by the legislative co-
25 ordinating council consistent with the provisions of K.S.A. 46-1209 and
26 amendments thereto.

27 (e) The task force shall prepare and submit a report and recommen-
28 dations to the governor and to the legislature on or before the second
29 Monday of January each year through 2005. In developing such recom-
30 mendations the task force shall give consideration to creative, common
31 sense solutions and approaches to problems which do not necessarily
32 require additional expenditures of money.

33 (f) As used in this section, the term "long-term care" includes a broad
34 spectrum of supports, ranging from skilled nursing services to assistance
35 with activities of daily living or help with instrumental activities of daily
36 living.

37 (g) The provisions of this section shall expire on July 1, 2005.

38 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-6206 is hereby repealed.

39 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
40 publication in the statute book.

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