
DIGEST

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HCR No. 90

Creates a task force to study and evaluate the effectiveness of sexual health education programs used throughout the state and other states.

Provides that the task force shall have 13 members who shall serve without compensation:

- (1) A representative of the Dept. of Children and Family Services, designated by the secretary of the department.
- (2) A representative of the office of public health of the Dept. of Health and Hospitals, designated by the secretary of the department.
- (3) A representative of the state Dept. of Education, designated by the state superintendent of education.
- (4) One local school superintendent, designated by the president of the La. Assoc. of School Superintendents.
- (5) One public high school principal, designated by the president of the La. Assoc. of Principals.
- (6) A representative of the Children's Defense Fund (CDF), designated by the director of the La. office of CDF.
- (7) The executive director of the Institute of Women and Ethnic Studies or his designee.
- (8) The executive director of La. Women's Policy and Research Commission or his designee.
- (9) The executive director of the La. Partnership for Children and Families or his designee.
- (10) The executive director of the La. Assembly on School-Based Health Care or his designee.
- (11) The chief executive officer of the La. Public Health Institute or his designee.
- (12) The senior community coordinator of Connect to Protect or his designee.
- (13) The executive director of the La. chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics or his

designee.

Provides that at least 60 days before the 2014 R.S., the task force shall submit to the House and Senate health and welfare committees and House and Senate education committees a written report of findings, conclusions, and recommendations and that the report shall focus on the evaluation of the effectiveness of sexual health and abstinence-only education programs used throughout the state and other states, particularly with respect to how these programs address high risk behaviors that result in teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, and shall include information on the content of curricula and programs, the extent of use and participation by public school systems, the identification of areas of potential improvement, including how to address the state's high rate of teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases more effectively, and any recommendations for legislation related to sexual health education.

Provides that the secretary of the Dept. of Health and Hospitals or his designee shall designate staff to assist the task force and shall convene the first meeting by Aug. 1, 2013.