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Creates the Southeast Louisiana Task Force for Growth & Opportunity which shall be known as the SEL-GO Group to assess the need for a governmental body tasked to design policy and programs funded by grants and government-approved funds that support the development of human resources, transportation, health care, law enforcement, housing, education, and infrastructure in the region of La. Senate District No. 2, particularly in the parishes of Ascension, Iberville, St. Charles, St. James, and St. John the Baptist.

Provides that should the task force determine that a governmental body is needed, it shall give consideration to and make recommendations regarding the proper role of the governmental body.

Provides that the task force shall be composed of two representatives from each of the parishes of Ascension, Iberville, St. Charles, St. James, and St. John the Baptist, appointed so that each parish shall be represented by a person residing within the parish on the west side of the Mississippi River and one person residing within the parish on the east side of the Mississippi River, the members to be designated as follows:

- (1) From Ascension Parish, one member designated by the parish council and one member designated by the Ascension Parish Economic Development Council.
- (2) From Iberville Parish, one member designated by the parish council and one member designated by the parish chamber of commerce.
- (3) From St. Charles Parish, one member designated by the parish council and one member designated by the St. Charles Parish Economic Development Council.
- (4) From St. James Parish, one member designated by the parish council and one member designated by the River Region Chamber of Commerce.
- (5) From St. John the Baptist Parish, one member designated by the parish council and one member designated by the River Region Chamber of Commerce.

Provides that each appointing body shall submit the name of its designated member to the Senate president on or before August 1, 2013.

Requires that the task force hold its organizational meeting on or before September 1, 2013, at the call of the Senator representing Senate District No. 2 and at its organizational meeting, the task force shall elect a chair and vice chair and such other officers as deemed necessary, provided that the chair and vice chair must be representatives of two different parishes.

Requires that the task force submit a written report to the Senate on or before February 1, 2014.

Provides that the state shall bear no responsibility for providing resources, including funding, staffing, or facilities, to the task force or any governmental body formed pursuant to the recommendations of the task force, unless appropriation is made for that purpose.