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**HOUSE BILL 21-1077** 

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT
102	COMMITTEE CONCERNING TAX POLICY, AND, IN CONNECTION
103	THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <a href="http://leg.colorado.gov">http://leg.colorado.gov</a>.)

The bill creates the legislative oversight committee concerning tax policy (committee) and the associated task force (task force).

The committee is required to review the policy considerations contained in the tax expenditure evaluations prepared by the state auditor and is responsible for the oversight of the task force. The committee may

HOUSE 3rd Reading Unamended May 13, 2021

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recommend legislative changes that are treated as bills recommended by an interim legislative committee.

The task force is required to study tax policy and develop and propose for committee consideration any modifications to the current system of state and local taxation.

The task force is also authorized, upon request by a committee member, to provide evidence-based feedback on the potential benefits or consequences of a legislative or other policy proposal not directly affiliated with or generated by the task force, including any bill or resolution introduced by the general assembly that affects tax policy.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:* 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 4 to article 3 21 of title 39 as follows: 4 PART 4 5 LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE 6 CONCERNING TAX POLICY 7 **39-21-401.** Legislative declaration. (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY 8 FINDS AND DECLARES THAT: 9 (a) IN 2000, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ENACTED THE FORMATION 10 OF A TEMPORARY COMMISSION ON TAXATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF 11 REVIEWING AND REPORTING ON THE CURRENT SYSTEM OF TAXATION BY 12 STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 13 MODIFICATIONS; 14 (b) THE STATE OF COLORADO AND ITS CITIZENS HAVE 15 EXPERIENCED MANY CHANGES SINCE THE LAST COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW 16 AND ANALYSIS OF TAX POLICY WAS COMPLETED; 17 (c) THE TAX STRUCTURE OF THE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS 18 IN COLORADO HAS BECOME MORE COMPLICATED AND OUTDATED 19 THROUGH A LONG HISTORY OF INCREMENTAL AND PIECEMEAL 20 MODIFICATIONS MADE BY STATUTORY AND CONSTITUTIONAL ENACTMENTS

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1	THAT HAVE RESULTED IN UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES;
2	(d) These modifications may have resulted in the tax
3	BURDEN FOR FINANCING GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS BEING
4	BORNE DISPROPORTIONATELY BY CERTAIN TAXPAYERS AND MAY HAVE
5	DIMINISHED COLORADO'S ABILITY TO ATTRACT NEW BUSINESSES AND
6	RETAIN EXISTING BUSINESSES THAT ARE VITAL TO THE ECONOMIC
7	WELL-BEING OF THE STATE AND ITS CITIZENS; AND
8	(e) It is therefore necessary to review the state's current
9	TAX POLICY.
10	(2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS AND DECLARES THAT
11	IT IS NECESSARY TO CREATE THE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
12	CONCERNING TAX POLICY AND, IN ADDITION, ESTABLISH THE COMMITTEE
13	AS THE APPROPRIATE ENTITY TO REVIEW THE EVALUATIONS OF TAX
14	EXPENDITURES THAT ARE STATUTORILY COMPLETED BY THE STATE
15	AUDITOR.
16	39-21-402. Definitions. As used in this part 4, unless the
17	CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
18	(1) "Legislative oversight committee" or "committee"
19	MEANS THE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE CONCERNING TAX
20	POLICY ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 39-21-403.
21	(2) "TASK FORCE" MEANS THE TASK FORCE CONCERNING TAX
22	POLICY ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-21-404.
23	(3) "TAX POLICY" REFERS TO DECISIONS BY THE STATE OR LOCAL
24	GOVERNMENTS REGARDING TAXES THAT HAVE OR MAY BE LEVIED, AND
25	INCLUDES AN ANALYSIS OF THE BENEFITS AND BURDENS OF THE STATE'S
26	OVERALL TAX STRUCTURE WITH RESPECT TO THE PROMOTION OF
27	CERTAINTY, FAIRNESS, ADEQUACY, TRANSPARENCY, AND ADMINISTRATIVE

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1	EASE. 1 HE SCOPE OF "TAX POLICY" TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE
2	AND THE TASK FORCE IS ANNUALLY DETERMINED BY THE COMMITTEE AS
3	SET FORTH IN SECTION 39-21-403 (2)(b).
4	39-21-403. Legislative oversight committee concerning tax
5	policy - creation - duties - report. (1) Creation. (a) THERE IS HEREBY
6	CREATED A LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE CONCERNING TAX
7	POLICY.
8	(b) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF SIX MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:
9	(I) TWO SENATORS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
10	AND ONE SENATOR APPOINTED BY THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE;
11	AND
12	(II) TWO REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE
13	HOUSE AND ONE REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTED BY THE MINORITY LEADER
14	OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
15	(c) (I) APPOINTEES TO THE COMMITTEE MUST HAVE EXPERIENCE
16	WITH OR INTEREST IN THE STUDY AREAS OF THE COMMITTEE AND TASK
17	FORCE, AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 39-21-404.
18	(II) APPOINTMENTS MUST BE MADE NO LATER THAN FOURTEEN
19	DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.
20	(d) The terms of the members expire or terminate on the
21	CONVENING DATE OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE
22	SEVENTY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY. AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AFTER
23	SUCH CONVENING DATE, BUT NO LATER THAN THE END OF THE
24	LEGISLATIVE SESSION, THE SPEAKER AND MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE
25	OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT AND MINORITY LEADER OF THE
26	SENATE SHALL EACH APPOINT OR REAPPOINT MEMBERS IN THE SAME
27	MANNED AS DROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1)(b) OF THIS SECTION

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1	THEREAFTER, THE TERMS OF MEMBERS APPOINTED OR REAPPOINTED
2	EXPIRE ON THE CONVENING DATE OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF EACH
3	GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND ALL SUBSEQUENT APPOINTMENTS AND
4	REAPPOINTMENTS MUST BE MADE AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AFTER SUCH
5	CONVENING DATE, BUT NO LATER THAN THE END OF THE LEGISLATIVE
6	SESSION.
7	(e) THE PERSON MAKING THE ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT OR
8	REAPPOINTMENT SHALL FILL ANY VACANCY BY APPOINTMENT FOR THE
9	REMAINDER OF AN UNEXPIRED TERM. MEMBERS APPOINTED OR
10	REAPPOINTED SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY
11	AND CONTINUE UNTIL THE MEMBER'S SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED.
12	(f) THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL
13	SELECT THE FIRST CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE, AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE
14	SENATE SHALL SELECT THE FIRST VICE-CHAIR. THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR
15	SHALL ALTERNATE ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BETWEEN THE TWO HOUSES.
16	(g) THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE MAY
17	ESTABLISH SUCH ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL RULES AS ARE

(g) THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE MAY ESTABLISH SUCH ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL RULES AS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE OPERATION OF THE COMMITTEE AND, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE TASK FORCE, GUIDELINES AND EXPECTATIONS FOR ONGOING COLLABORATION WITH THE TASK FORCE.

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- 21 (h) (I) MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE 22 COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AS PROVIDED IN 23 SECTION 2-2-326.
  - (II) THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
    THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES, AND THE
    STATE AUDITOR SHALL SUPPLY STAFF ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE AS
    THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE, WITHIN EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS.

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1	(2) <b>Duties.</b> (a) (1) THE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AT LEAST FOUR
2	TIMES EACH YEAR AND AT SUCH OTHER TIMES AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY.
3	(II) EACH COMMITTEE MEMBER SHALL ANNUALLY EITHER ATTEND
4	OR CALL IN TO AT LEAST ONE REGULAR TASK FORCE MEETING. COMMITTEE
5	MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND SEPARATE MEETINGS AND INFORM
6	THE REST OF THE COMMITTEE ABOUT THE CURRENT WORK OF THE TASK
7	FORCE.
8	(b) The committee shall annually define in writing, no
9	LATER THAN THE SECOND MEETING OF THE YEAR, THE SCOPE OF TAX
10	POLICY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE COMMITTEE AND THE TASK FORCE.
11	(c) (I) The committee shall consider the policy
12	CONSIDERATIONS CONTAINED IN THE TAX EXPENDITURE EVALUATIONS
13	PREPARED BY THE STATE AUDITOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-21-305.
14	(II) THE COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OVERSIGHT OF THE
15	TASK FORCE.
16	(d) THE COMMITTEE MAY RECOMMEND LEGISLATIVE CHANGES
17	THAT ARE TREATED AS BILLS RECOMMENDED BY AN INTERIM LEGISLATIVE
18	COMMITTEE FOR PURPOSES OF ANY INTRODUCTION DEADLINES OR BILL
19	LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY THE JOINT RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
20	(e) On or before January 1 of each year, the committee
21	SHALL SUBMIT, AND MAKE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ON ITS WEBSITE, A
22	REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE ANNUAL REPORT MUST BRIEFLY
23	SUMMARIZE THE STUDY ISSUES, RECOMMENDATIONS CONSIDERED, AND
24	ANY ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE AND THE TASK FORCE DURING
25	THE PREVIOUS YEAR. THE REPORT MUST COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
26	SECTION 24-1-136 (9). NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I)
27	THE REQUIREMENT IN THIS SECTION TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL

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1	ASSEMBLY CONTINUES INDEFINITELY.
2	39-21-404. Task force concerning tax policy - creation -
3	membership - duties. (1) Creation. (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED A
4	TASK FORCE CONCERNING TAX POLICY. THE TASK FORCE CONSISTS OF
5	TWENTY-ONE MEMBERS APPOINTED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (1)(b)
6	(1)(c), AND $(1)(d)$ OF THIS SECTION.
7	(b) FOUR NONVOTING TASK FORCE MEMBERS, ONE APPOINTMENT
8	FROM EACH OFFICE, WITH RELEVANT EXPERIENCE IN ECONOMICS
9	BUDGETING, OR TAX POLICY, SHALL BE APPOINTED BY:
10	(I) THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL;
11	(II) THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL
12	SERVICES;
13	(III) THE STAFF DIRECTOR OF THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE; AND
14	(IV) THE STATE AUDITOR.
15	(c) SEVENTEEN VOTING MEMBERS SHALL BE INITIALLY APPOINTED
16	NO LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS
17	SECTION AND HELD BY THE APPOINTEE UNTIL SUBSEQUENT APPOINTMENTS
18	ARE MADE BY THE COMMITTEE UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(d) OF THIS
19	SECTION, OR UNTIL THE APPOINTEE IS REMOVED AND REPLACED AS
20	ALLOWED IN SUBSECTION $(1)(g)$ OF THIS SECTION, AS FOLLOWS:
21	(I) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING AND
22	BUDGETING APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE;
23	(II) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TAXATION DIVISION IN THE
24	DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR OR HIS OR HER
25	DESIGNEE;
26	(III) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC
27	DEVELOPMENT APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE;

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1	(IV) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER
2	APPOINTED BY THE STATE TREASURER OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE; AND
3	(V) COMMITTEE STAFF IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PUBLICLY
4	ANNOUNCING VACANCIES FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS, AND
5	REQUESTING CANDIDATES TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST FOR THE
6	SPECIFIC POSITION, SO THAT THE LETTERS OF INTEREST ARE DUE NO LATER
7	THAN ONE WEEK AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION. THE
8	INITIAL APPOINTMENTS SHALL BE MADE BY A MAJORITY DECISION OF THE
9	SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE PRESIDENT OF THE
10	SENATE, THE HOUSE AND SENATE MINORITY LEADERS, AND THE GOVERNOR
11	OR THE GOVERNOR'S DESIGNEE:
12	(A) ONE MEMBER FROM A STATE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION
13	OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH KNOWLEDGE OF TAX POLICY;
14	(B) ONE MEMBER FROM A STATE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION
15	OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH KNOWLEDGE OF ECONOMICS;
16	(C) FOUR MEMBERS REPRESENTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
17	INCLUDING ONE FROM A HOME RULE CITY OR CITY AND COUNTY; ONE FROM
18	A STATUTORY CITY; ONE FROM A HOME RULE COUNTY; AND ONE FROM A
19	STATUTORY COUNTY;
20	(D) TWO TAX LAW PRACTITIONERS WHO ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY A
21	HOME RULE OR STATUTORY CITY OR CITY AND COUNTY;
22	(E) TWO CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS WITH STATE AND LOCAL
23	TAX EXPERIENCE WHO ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY A HOME RULE OR
24	STATUTORY CITY OR CITY AND COUNTY;
25	(F) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING A SMALL BUSINESS;
26	(G) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING A LARGE BUSINESS; AND
27	(H) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

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1	WITH EXPERTISE IN TAX POLICY.
2	(d) SEVENTEEN VOTING MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED OR
3	REAPPOINTED NO LATER THAN JANUARY 31, 2022, JANUARY 31, 2023, AND
4	NO LATER THAN JANUARY 31 IN EVERY ODD-NUMBERED YEAR
5	THEREAFTER AS FOLLOWS:
6	(I) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING AND
7	BUDGETING APPOINTED OR REAPPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR OR HIS OR
8	HER DESIGNEE;
9	(II) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TAXATION DIVISION IN THE
10	DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE APPOINTED OR REAPPOINTED BY THE
11	GOVERNOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE;
12	(III) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC
13	DEVELOPMENT APPOINTED OR REAPPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR OR HIS OR
14	HER DESIGNEE;
15	(IV) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER
16	APPOINTED OR REAPPOINTED BY THE STATE TREASURER OR HIS OR HER
17	DESIGNEE; AND
18	(V) THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE
19	VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL APPOINT OR REAPPOINT, WITH
20	INPUT FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
21	REPRESENTATIVES, AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE FOLLOWING
22	VOTING MEMBERS:
23	(A) ONE MEMBER FROM A STATE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION
24	OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH KNOWLEDGE OF TAX POLICY;
25	(B) ONE MEMBER FROM A STATE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION
26	OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH KNOWLEDGE OF ECONOMICS;
27	(C) FOUR MEMBERS REPRESENTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT,

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1	INCLUDING ONE FROM A HOME RULE CITY OR CITY AND COUNTY; ONE FROM
2	A STATUTORY CITY; ONE FROM A HOME RULE COUNTY; AND ONE FROM A
3	STATUTORY COUNTY;
4	(D) TWO TAX LAW PRACTITIONERS WHO ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY A
5	HOME RULE OR STATUTORY CITY OR CITY AND COUNTY;
6	(E) TWO CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS WITH STATE AND LOCAL
7	TAX EXPERIENCE WHO ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY A HOME RULE OR
8	STATUTORY CITY OR CITY AND COUNTY;
9	(F) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING A SMALL BUSINESS;
10	(G) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING A LARGE BUSINESS; AND
11	(H) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION
12	WITH EXPERTISE IN TAX POLICY.
13	(e) IF THE COMMITTEE NEEDS NEW CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITIONS
14	DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS $(1)(d)(V)(A)$ THROUGH $(1)(d)(V)(H)$ OF THIS
15	SECTION, THEN THE COMMITTEE CHAIR MAY REQUEST COMMITTEE STAFF
16	TO PUBLICLY ANNOUNCE VACANCIES FOR ANY SUCH POSITIONS, AND TO
17	REQUEST CANDIDATES TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST FOR THE SPECIFIC
18	POSITION, SO THAT THE LETTERS OF INTEREST ARE DUE NO LATER THAN
19	TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE APPOINTING DEADLINE SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION
20	(1)(d) OF THIS SECTION.
21	(f) VOTING MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE SERVE WITHOUT
22	COMPENSATION.
23	(g) A VACANCY OCCURRING IN ANY POSITION HELD BY A VOTING
24	MEMBER MUST BE FILLED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BY THE APPOINTING
25	AUTHORITY FOR THAT POSITION SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION $(1)(d)$ of this
26	SECTION. IN ADDITION, THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE IN CONSULTATION
27	WITH THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE MAY REMOVE ANY TASK FORCE

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1	APPOINTEE WHO IS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION $(1)(c)$ OR $(1)(d)$
2	OF THIS SECTION. REPLACEMENTS FOR REMOVED APPOINTEES ARE
3	APPOINTED BY THE RESPECTIVE APPOINTING AUTHORITIES SET FORTH IN
4	SUBSECTION (1)(d) OF THIS SECTION.

- (h) IN APPOINTING VOTING MEMBERS TO THE TASK FORCE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1)(d) OF THIS SECTION, THE RESPECTIVE APPOINTING AUTHORITIES SHALL ENSURE THAT THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TASK FORCE INCLUDES PERSONS WHO HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH OR INTEREST IN THE STUDY AREAS OF THE TASK FORCE AS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION; PERSONS WHO REFLECT A BALANCE OF TAX PERSPECTIVES AND THE ETHNIC, CULTURAL, AND GENDER DIVERSITY OF THE STATE; REPRESENTATION OF ALL AREAS OF THE STATE; AND, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.
- (i) (I) ALL TASK FORCE MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO SEEK INPUT FROM THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, OFFICES, OR ORGANIZATIONS THEY REPRESENT OR THAT THEY ARE ASSOCIATED WITH, IF ANY.
- (II) IN ORDER TO ADVANCE THE WORK OF THE TASK FORCE, TASK FORCE MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN DECISION-MAKING WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT INDIVIDUAL VOTES ON TASK FORCE ISSUES ARE BASED ON SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTISE AND DO NOT COMMIT REPRESENTATIVE ENTITIES OR ORGANIZATIONS TO ANY POSITION OR ACTION. TASK FORCE MEMBERS SHALL ADHERE TO ANY AGREED UPON PROCEDURAL RULES AND GUIDELINES.
- (2) **Issues for study.** (a) The task force shall study tax policy within its scope as annually defined by the committee under section 39-21-403 (2)(b) and shall develop and propose tax policy modifications for committee consideration.

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1	(b) THE REQUIREMENTS SET FOR THIN THIS SUBSECTION (2) DO NOT
2	PROHIBIT THE TASK FORCE, AT ANY TIME DURING ITS EXISTENCE, FROM
3	STUDYING, PRESENTING FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
4	COMMITTEE ON, OR REQUESTING PERMISSION FROM THE COMMITTEE TO
5	DRAFT LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS CONCERNING ANY ISSUE DESCRIBED IN
6	THIS SUBSECTION (2).
7	(3) Additional duties of the task force. The TASK FORCE SHALL
8	ANNUALLY DELIVER TAX POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS TO
9	THE COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. IN ADDITION, THE TASK
10	FORCE SHALL:
11	(a) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1 OF EACH YEAR, APPOINT A CHAIR AND
12	VICE-CHAIR FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS;
13	(b) MEET AT LEAST SIX TIMES EACH YEAR, OR MORE OFTEN AS
14	DIRECTED BY THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE;
15	(c) ESTABLISH ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL RULES FOR THE
16	OPERATION OF THE TASK FORCE AND FOR COLLABORATION WITH THE
17	COMMITTEE;
18	(d) DESIGNATE SPECIFIC TASK FORCE MEMBERS RESPONSIBLE FOR
19	COLLABORATING WITH AND OBTAINING INPUT FROM OTHER STATE
20	OFFICIALS, GROUPS, OR TASK FORCES THAT COMPLEMENT OR RELATE TO
21	THE TASK FORCE'S IDENTIFIED AREAS OF STUDY;
22	(e) Create subcommittees as needed to carry out the
23	DUTIES OF THE TASK FORCE. THE SUBCOMMITTEES MAY CONSIST, IN PART,
24	OF PERSONS WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE BUT HAVE
25	PARTICULAR EXPERTISE RELATED TO THE TOPICS BEING STUDIED. SUCH
26	PERSONS MAY VOTE ON ISSUES BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE BUT ARE NOT
27	ENTITLED TO VOTE AT TASK FORCE MEETINGS

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1	(1) UPON REQUEST BY A COMMITTEE MEMBER, WITH APPROVAL
2	FROM THE COMMITTEE CHAIR IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMITTEE
3	VICE-CHAIR, PROVIDE EVIDENCE-BASED FEEDBACK ON THE POTENTIAL
4	BENEFITS OR CONSEQUENCES OF A LEGISLATIVE OR OTHER POLICY
5	PROPOSAL NOT DIRECTLY AFFILIATED WITH OR GENERATED BY THE TASK
6	FORCE, INCLUDING ANY BILL OR RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE
7	GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT AFFECTS TAX POLICY. THE FEEDBACK SHOULD,
8	IF POSSIBLE, BE DELIVERED WITHIN TWO WEEKS TO THE ENTIRE
9	COMMITTEE AND REMAIN AS CONCISE AS POSSIBLE WHILE CAPTURING ANY
10	AVAILABLE EVIDENCE. IF THE TASK FORCE CANNOT IDENTIFY EVIDENCE TO
11	EFFECTIVELY INFORM A RESPONSE, THE FEEDBACK WILL INDICATE A LACK
12	OF EVIDENCE AND REPORT ON ANY ACTIONS TAKEN.
13	(g) On or before October 1 of each year, prepare and
14	SUBMIT TO THE COMMITTEE, WHICH THE COMMITTEE MAY MAKE PUBLICLY
15	AVAILABLE ON ITS WEBSITE, A REPORT THAT, AT A MINIMUM, INCLUDES:
16	(I) ISSUES STUDIED BY THE TASK FORCE, AS WELL AS FINDINGS FOR
17	LEGISLATIVE OR OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS;
18	(II) LEGISLATIVE OR POLICY PROPOSALS OF THE TASK FORCE THAT
19	IDENTIFY THE POLICY ISSUES INVOLVED, THE AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE FOR
20	THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHANGES, AND THE FUNDING SOURCES
21	REQUIRED FOR IMPLEMENTATION;
22	(III) A SUMMARY OF MONTHLY TASK FORCE MEETING ACTIVITIES
23	AND DISCUSSIONS;
24	(IV) ANY EVIDENCE-BASED FEEDBACK PROVIDED TO THE
25	COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION $(3)(f)$ of this section; and
26	(V) A SUMMARY OF EFFORTS MADE TO COMMUNICATE,
27	COLLABORATE OF COORDINATE WITH OTHER GROUPS OF TASK FORCES

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1	(4) Coordination. THE TASK FORCE MAY WORK WITH OTHER
2	STATE AGENCIES, GROUPS, OR TASK FORCES THAT ARE PURSUING ISSUES
3	SIMILAR TO THOSE ADDRESSED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION.
4	THE TASK FORCE MAY DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER TASK
5	FORCES, COMMITTEES, AND ORGANIZATIONS TO LEVERAGE EFFICIENT
6	POLICY-MAKING OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS.
7	(5) Task force funding - staff support. (a) THE LEGISLATIVE
8	COUNCIL STAFF, THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES, AND THE
9	DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SHALL SUPPLY STAFF ASSISTANCE, WITHIN
10	EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS, TO THE TASK FORCE AS THE COMMITTEE
11	DEEMS APPROPRIATE. IF EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS ARE NOT ADEQUATE
12	TO SUPPLY STAFF ASSISTANCE, THE DIRECTOR OF THE LEGISLATIVE
13	COUNCIL STAFF, THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL
14	SERVICES, OR THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SHALL
15	REQUEST ADDITIONAL NECESSARY FUNDING IN THEIR ANNUAL BUDGET
16	REQUESTS.
17	(b) ANY STATE DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR OFFICE WITH AN ACTIVE
18	REPRESENTATIVE ON THE TASK FORCE IS AUTHORIZED TO RECEIVE AND
19	EXPEND GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS, INCLUDING DONATIONS OF
20	IN-KIND SERVICES FOR STAFF SUPPORT, FROM ANY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE
21	ENTITY FOR ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
22	DUTIES OF THE TASK FORCE.
23	39-21-405. Repeal of part. This part 4 is repealed, effective
24	DECEMBER 31, 2026.
25	<b>SECTION 2.</b> Appropriation. (1) For the 2021-22 state fiscal
26	year, \$108,383 is appropriated to the legislative department. This
27	appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the

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1	department may use this appropriation as follows:
2	(a) \$8,623 for use by the general assembly;
3	(b) \$54,079 for use by the legislative council, which amount is
4	based on an assumption that the legislative council will require ar
5	additional 0.8 FTE; and
6	(c) \$45,681 for use by the office of legislative legal services
7	which amount is based on an assumption that the office will require ar
8	additional 0.6 FTE.
9	<b>SECTION 3.</b> Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds
10	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
11	preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

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