

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference
Vote:	5 - 4 - 0
Yeas:	Gallegos, Gorsek, Greenlick, Harker, Dembrow
Nays:	Gilliam, Huffman, Johnson, Whisnant
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	4/1, 4/15

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes Task Force on Community College Child Care Services (Task Force). Sunsets Task Force on date of convening of 2015 regular session of Legislative Assembly. Specifies Task Force membership. Requires consultation with stakeholder groups for membership recommendations. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Demand for child care services at community colleges
- Current waiting lists of one to two years
- Costs for childcare exceeding 25 percent of student income

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Specifies Task Force membership. Requires consultation with stakeholder groups for membership recommendations.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 3149-A creates the Task Force on Community College Child Care Services to study the cost of providing child care services for community college students and identify potential funding sources. The measure specifies that the membership include community college administrators, faculty, students, board members, the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development (CCWD) and the Child Care Division, Employment Department. One member from the Senate and one member from the House of Representatives will serve in a non-voting capacity. At least two members of the Task Force must be community college faculty and at least two members must be students. Members are to be appointed by the Commissioner for Community College Services and CCWD is directed to provide staff support. The Task Force is directed to report its findings to the interim committee on education no later than September 1, 2014.