

## HB 2263 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Higher Education

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**Action Date:** 03/28/23

**Action:** Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

**Vote:** 8-0-1-0

**Yeas:** 8 - Bowman, Elmer, Hudson, Lively, Mannix, McIntire, Sosa, Wright

**Exc:** 1 - Ruiz

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/23, 3/28

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes Task Force on Student Housing. Establishes task force membership. Requires task force to examine student housing availability and funding at post-secondary institutions and provide recommendations on how post-secondary institutions can be open, welcoming, and safe places for houseless students. Requires task force to submit report to Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2024. Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to provide staff support. Establishes Task Force on Student Access to Child Care. Establishes task force membership. Requires task force to review state-provided child care grants and campus-based child care centers to determine how to meet needs of greatest number of students. Requires task force to provide recommendations on potential legislation. Requires task force to submit report to Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2024. Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to provide staff support. Repeals task forces and reporting requirements on December 31, 2024. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of amendment
- Limited on-campus housing for students
- Rent increases in housing near campus
- Competing costs of housing, food, child care, and tuition

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Joint Task Force on Student Success for Underrepresented Students in Higher Education (JTUSHE) was a bicameral legislative task force established by House Bill 2590 (2021). The measure charged the task force with visiting public post-secondary institutions of education in order to meet with current, former, and prospective students from underrepresented backgrounds, and with developing policy and funding proposals that focus on increasing the likelihood of student success for underrepresented students in the areas of access, retention, graduation, and entry into the workforce. House Bill 2263 was among the legislation that the task force presession filed in accordance with the authority granted by House Bill 2590 (2021).

The task force approved its [Report on Findings and Recommendations for 2023 Legislative Session](#) on December 13, 2022. Among its findings and recommendations related to financial aid and affordability were recommendations to create a statewide workgroup to examine the question of student housing availability, and to review and determine how student supports could meet the child care needs of the greatest number of

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House Bill 2263 A establishes a Task Force on Student Housing and a Task Force on Student Access to Child Care, and requires each task force to submit a report to the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2024.