

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill Nos. 493,
2 485, 495, 516, 534, 545, 595, 616, & 624, Page 65, Section 1, Line 25, by inserting after all of said
3 line the following:

4 "Section 2. 1. There is hereby established within the department of elementary and secondary
5 education a task force, to be known as the "school transfer and improvement task force", which
6 shall be composed of eleven members. As used in this section, the term "task force" means the
7 school transfer and improvement task force.

8 2. The task force is hereby created to study the following:

9 (1) Means to address failing schools including but not be limited to the creation of a school
10 improvement district;

11 (2) Developing options for school transfer finance formulas;

12 (3) Best practices for how to design and finance public virtual and blended schools; and

13 (4) Best practices and possible pilot projects to assist transient students.

14 3. The task force shall consist of all of the following members:

15 (1) Three members of the senate of whom not more than two from one party and one member
16 from an education policy research organization in Missouri appointed by the president pro tem of
17 the senate;

18 (2) Three members of the house of representatives of whom not more than two from one party
19 and one member from a statewide business association appointed by the speaker of the house;

20 (3) The commissioner of education or his or her designee;

21 (4) The governor or his or her designee; and

22 (5) The lieutenant governor or his or her designee.

23 4. The first meeting of the task force shall be called by the president pro tem of the senate. The
24 task force shall elect a presiding officer by a majority vote of the membership of the task force.
25 Subsequent meetings of the task force shall be at the call of the presiding officer.

26 5. The task force shall make recommendations regarding the subject in subsection 2 of this
27 section. In making those recommendations, the task force shall receive reports and testimony
28 from individuals, state and local agencies, experts and other public and private organizations.

29 6. The recommendations may include proposals for specific statutory changes.

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1 7. The members shall receive no compensation for their services on the task force, but shall be
 2 reimbursed for ordinary and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

3 8. By February 1, 2015, the task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the
 4 general assembly.

5 9. The task force shall expire on April 31, 2015." ; and
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8 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
 9 accordingly.