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# HOUSE BILL NO. 947

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

### AN ACT

To repeal section 210.1030, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the trauma-informed care for children and families task force.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 210.1030, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.1030, to read as follows:

210.1030. 1. There is hereby created the "Trauma-Informed Care for Children and Families Task Force". The mission of the task force shall be to promote the healthy development of children and their families living in Missouri communities by promoting comprehensive trauma-informed children and family support systems and interagency cooperation.

2. The task force shall consist of the following members:

(1) The directors, or their designees, of the departments of elementary and secondary education, health and senior services, mental health, social services, public safety, and corrections;

(2) The director, or his or her designee, of the office of child advocate;

(3) Six members from the private sector with knowledge of trauma-informed care methods, two of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives, two of whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate, and one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the senate;

(4) Two members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one member of the house of representatives appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 (5) Two members of the senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate and  
19 one member of the senate appointed by the minority leader of the senate; and

20 (6) The executive director, or his or her designee, of the Missouri Juvenile Justice  
21 Association.

22 3. The task force shall incorporate evidence-based and evidence-informed best practices  
23 including, but not limited to, the Missouri Model: A Developmental Framework for  
24 Trauma-Informed, with respect to:

25 (1) Early identification of children and youth and their families, as appropriate, who have  
26 experienced or are at risk of experiencing trauma;

27 (2) The expeditious referral of such children and youth and their families, as appropriate,  
28 who require specialized services to the appropriate trauma-informed support services, including  
29 treatment, in accordance with applicable privacy laws; and

30 (3) The implementation of trauma-informed approaches and interventions in child and  
31 youth-serving schools, organizations, homes, and other settings to foster safe, stable, and  
32 nurturing environments and relationships that prevent and mitigate the effects of trauma.

33 4. The department of social services shall provide such research, clerical, technical, and  
34 other services as the task force may require in the performance of its duties.

35 5. The task force, its members, and any staff assigned to the task force shall receive  
36 reimbursement for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings of the task  
37 force or any subcommittee thereof.

38 6. The task force shall **not** meet ~~[within two months of August 28, 2018]~~ **more than**  
39 **four times annually.**

40 7. The task force shall report a summary of its activities and any recommendations for  
41 legislation to the general assembly and to the joint committee on child abuse and neglect under  
42 section 21.771 by January 1, ~~[2019]~~ **2020, and every January first thereafter.**

43 ~~[8. The task force shall terminate on January 1, 2019.]~~

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