

SECOND REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 2387
100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 161, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the 21st-century Missouri education task force.

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

Section A. Chapter 161, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 161.245, to read as follows:

**161.245. 1. There is hereby established the "21st-Century Missouri Education Task
2 Force".**

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

**4 (1) Three members of the house of representatives, with two members to be
5 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, at least one of whom is a member
6 of the joint committee on education, and one member to be appointed by the minority
7 leader of the house of representatives;**

**8 (2) Three members of the senate, with two members to be appointed by the
9 president pro tempore of the senate, at least one of whom is a member of the joint
10 committee on education, and one member to be appointed by the minority leader of the
11 senate;**

12 (3) The governor or the governor's designee;

13 (4) The commissioner of education or the commissioner's designee;

14 (5) The commissioner of higher education or the commissioner's designee; and

**15 (6) Nine members who represent the interests of each of the following groups, to
16 be appointed by the governor:**

17 (a) The Missouri workforce development board;

18 (b) Charter schools;

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.

- 19 (c) Community colleges;
20 (d) Private colleges or universities;
21 (e) Children with disabilities, including children with autism spectrum disorders;
22 (f) After-school programs;
23 (g) Teachers;
24 (h) The business community in this state; and
25 (i) The parents as teachers program established under sections 178.691 to 178.699.
- 26 3. The speaker of the house of representatives shall designate the chair of the task
27 force, and the president pro tempore of the senate shall designate the vice chair of the task
28 force.
- 29 4. Staff members of house research, house drafting, senate research, and the joint
30 committee on legislative research shall provide such legal, research, clerical, technical, and
31 bill drafting services as the task force may require in the performance of its duties.
- 32 5. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation, but the members
33 and any staff assigned to the task force shall receive reimbursement for actual and
34 necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings of the task force or any subcommittee
35 thereof. All task force members shall be subject to the same conflict of interest provisions
36 in chapter 105 that are enforced by the Missouri ethics commission in the same manner
37 that elected or appointed officials and employees are subject to such provisions.
- 38 6. The task force shall hold its first meeting within two months from the effective
39 date of this section.
- 40 7. The mission of the task force shall be to:
- 41 (1) Evaluate the condition of the state's public education system, including the
42 standardized testing system;
- 43 (2) Study successful educational models in order to identify highly effective
44 teaching strategies;
- 45 (3) Evaluate the state's certificate programs and workforce development efforts,
46 including any efforts to use knowledge models to help guide students into certain
47 employment areas from young ages so that they are able to advance in rewarding careers;
- 48 (4) Evaluate current funding for elementary and secondary education and higher
49 education in Missouri;
- 50 (5) Evaluate whether current education funding in Missouri is sufficient to not only
51 maintain the public education system in its current state but also to ensure that it serves
52 the educational needs of Missouri's citizens moving forward into the twenty-first century;
- 53 (6) Make recommendations regarding the condition of the state's public education
54 system;

55 (7) Make recommendations regarding funding of education and workforce
56 development efforts; and

57 (8) Make recommendations regarding the use of technology and artificial
58 intelligence to improve student outcomes and to inform future educational needs in relation
59 to workforce development in order to maximize the impact of the Missouri public
60 education system in regards to future employment opportunities including, but not limited
61 to, manufacturing, trades, STEM fields, and agriculture.

62 8. The task force shall report a summary of its activities and any recommendations
63 for legislation to the general assembly before August 28, 2021.

64 9. (1) The task force shall suspend its operations on January 1, 2022. At such time,
65 all members of the task force shall be relieved of their positions on the task force.

66 (2) The task force shall resume its operations on January 1, 2023, with a new set
67 of members to be selected according to the provisions of subsection 2 of this section. The
68 new chair and the new vice chair of the task force shall be designated according to the
69 provisions of subsection 3 of this section.

70 (3) Upon resumption of its operations, the task force shall continue to receive
71 services according to the provisions of subsection 4 of this section and shall continue to be
72 subject to all provisions of subsection 5 of this section.

73 (4) Upon resumption of its operations, the task force shall review all summaries and
74 recommendations previously made under subsection 8 of this section and shall continue to
75 carry out the mission described in subsection 7 of this section.

76 (5) Upon resumption of its operations, the task force shall report an updated
77 summary of its activities and any recommendations for legislation to the general assembly
78 before August 28, 2023.

79 (6) After providing a report to the general assembly as required under subdivision
80 (5) of this subsection, the task force shall continue to meet every two years periodically
81 until this section expires. The task force shall provide additional updated summaries of
82 its activities and additional recommendations for legislation to the general assembly, at
83 such times as the task force deems necessary, until the task force is terminated.

84 10. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:

85 (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall
86 automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized
87 by an act of the general assembly;

88 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section
89 shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this
90 section; and

91 **(3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately**
92 **following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.**

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