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AN ACT

To amend chapter 36, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the Missouri state employee work-from-anywhere task force.

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

Section A. Chapter 36, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 36.520, to read as follows:

36.520. 1. There is hereby established the "Missouri State Employee Work-From-Anywhere Task Force".

- 2. The task force shall be comprised of the following members:
- (1) Three members of the house of representatives, with two members to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one member to be appointed by the minority floor leader of the house of representatives;
- (2) Three members of the senate, with two members to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate and one member to be appointed by the minority floor leader of the senate;
- 10 (3) The commissioner of the office of administration, or the commissioner's 11 designee;
- 12 (4) Four members, appointed by the governor, including the chief information 13 officer of this state and one member of the information technology services division of the 14 office of administration;
- 15 **(5)** Three members, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, who 16 serve as subject-matter experts in any subject related to state government, human 17 resources, personnel management, or labor relations;

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.

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- 18 (6) One member who represents the department of economic development;
- 19 (7) One member who represents the department of higher education and workforce 20 development; and
 - (8) One member, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, who represents a Missouri-based technology provider.
 - 3. The office of administration shall provide such technical and administrative support as may be required by the task force to fulfill its duties.
 - 4. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation but shall receive reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings of the task force or any subcommittee thereof.
 - 5. The task force shall hold its first meeting within two months after the effective date of this section and shall organize by selecting a chair and a vice chair.
 - 6. The mission of the task force shall be to determine the best policies and practices for allowing employees of the government of this state to work from home or to otherwise work remotely. The task force shall consider the feasibility and practicability of various remote-work arrangements for employees engaged in all types of work and in all regions throughout this state.
- 7. The task force shall report a summary of its activities and any recommendations for legislation to the general assembly before August 28, 2022.
 - 8. (1) The task force shall suspend its operations on January 1, 2023. At such time, all members of the task force shall be relieved of their positions on the task force.
 - (2) The task force shall resume its operations on January 1, 2024, with a new set of members to be selected according to the provisions of subsection 2 of this section. The task force shall meet within two months of resumption of its operations and shall organize by selecting a chair and a vice chair.
 - (3) Upon resumption of its operations, the task force shall review all summaries and recommendations previously made under subsection 7 of this section and shall continue to carry out the mission described in subsection 6 of this section.
 - (4) Upon resumption of its operations, the task force shall report an updated summary of its activities and any recommendations for legislation to the general assembly before August 28, 2024.
 - (5) After providing a report to the general assembly as required under subdivision (4) of this subsection, the task force shall continue to meet every two years periodically until this section expires. The task force shall provide additional updated summaries of its activities and additional recommendations for legislation to the general assembly, at such times as the task force deems necessary, until the task force is terminated.

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