

HB 1180 -- STATE BUILDING USAGE TASK FORCE

SPONSOR: Railsback

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Economic Development by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill establishes the "State Building Usage Task Force". The duties of the Task Force will be to evaluate the conditions of all state government-owned and leased real properties, as well as the current funding received for maintaining each real property. Real properties owned and leased by public schools are excluded from the Task Force's evaluations.

The membership of the Task Force shall consist of:

- (1) Three members of the House of Representatives with two members appointed by the Speaker of the House and one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the House, at least one of whom shall be a member of the Downsizing State Government Committee;
- (2) Three members of the Senate, with two appointed by the President Pro Tem of the Senate and one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate;
- (3) The Governor or his or her designee; and
- (4) The Commissioner of the Office of Administration or designee.

This bill also specifies the support staff for the Task Force, and when the Task Force is to suspend and resume operations each year. This bill also requires the Office of Administration to provide a list of all government-owned and leased real property to the Task Force within 60 days of the effective date of this bill. The Office of Administration shall provide an updated list to the Task Force following any changes as well as each time the Task Force resumes operations each year.

The Task Force is to turn in a report to the General Assembly by August 31, 2022 with its recommendations as to what should be done with each real property, including funding recommendations. If the Task Force recommends that any real properties should be rehabilitated or liquidated, then the Task Force shall create a detailed plan that can be implemented within two years for the rehabilitation or liquidation of those real properties.

The Task Force shall submit a second report to the General Assembly after resuming operations and before September 30, 2024.

The provisions of the bill will expire 12 years after the effective date.

This section shall terminate on September 13, of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would lead to more efficient usage of buildings owned by the state.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Railsback; and Arnie Dienoff.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill submitted written testimony.

Testifying on the bill was Kelli Zug.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.