HB 1347 -- BRAIN SCIENCE TASK FORCE

SPONSOR: Shields

This bill establishes the "21st-Century Missouri Brain Science Task Force". The Task Force will be comprised of 24 members with three members of the House of Representatives, with two being appointed by the Speaker and one appointed by the Minority Leader, three members of the Senate, with two being appointed by the President Pro Tem and one appointed by the Minority Leader and various additional members as provided in the bill representing a variety of interested agencies or organizations.

Members serve without compensation but will be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses while attending meetings of the Task Force.

The Task Force shall hold its first meeting within two months of the effective date of the bill. The mission of the Task Force is to evaluate the condition of the state's current brain science research and funding, study successful policies relating to brain science and children at multiple levels, and which policies and programs should be created or modified to prepare individuals from preschool to retirement to enter the workforce.

The Task Force must report a summary of its activities and recommendations to the General Assembly before August 28, 2022 and over the next 11 years as outlined in the bill until the task force terminates on August 28, 2033.