

HB 3361 -- SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

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Currently, four members of the Task Force on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment are appointed by the Governor; this bill adds one person, who has personal experience with substance abuse, to be appointed.

Additionally, the bill adds to the duties of the task force to include the following:

- (1) Making specific recommendations on age-appropriate fentanyl education in schools;
- (2) Creating a model for sober-living homes and facilities;
- (3) Developing a curriculum and educational materials about treatment centers;
- (4) Creating guidelines on the length of sobriety required for a person to qualify as a peer specialist; and
- (5) Appointing members to the Volunteer Civilian Oversight Board for State-Funded Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities.

The bill establishes the "Volunteer Civilian Oversight Board for State-Funded Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities", which will consist of 12 volunteer members to be appointed by the task force and will be under the supervision of the task force. The bill specifies membership requirements for the Board and its list of duties.

The Board is required to submit an annual public report to the General Assembly summarizing findings, compliance concerns, recommendations, and funding transparency reviews.