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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
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***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY ISSUES
RELATING TO PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT WITH STUDENTS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
2 to study issues relating to parental involvement with students. The
3 task force shall study and make recommendations concerning (1)
4 methods for improving parental involvement with students, including
5 best practices being utilized in other states, (2) the feasibility of
6 establishing parent academies throughout the state that will assist
7 parents and students in middle school and high school with college
8 planning and career training, and (3) methods for fostering
9 communication and interaction between parents, school personnel and
10 the surrounding communities.

11 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

12 (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
13 who is a representative of the Connecticut Education Association;

14 (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who

15 is a representative of the American Federation of Teachers-
16 Connecticut;

17 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
18 Representatives, who is a representative of the Connecticut
19 Association of Boards of Education;

20 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who is a
21 representative of the Connecticut Association of Public School
22 Superintendents;

23 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
24 Representatives, who is a representative of the Connecticut School
25 Counselor Association;

26 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who is a
27 representative of the Connecticut PTA; and

28 (7) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee.

29 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
30 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
31 of the General Assembly.

32 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
33 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
34 filled by the appointing authority.

35 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
36 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
37 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
38 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not
39 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

40 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
41 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education
42 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

43 (g) Not later than January 1, 2020, the task force shall submit a
44 report on its study and any recommendations to the joint standing
45 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
46 relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-
47 4a of the general statutes. The task force shall not terminate until the
48 date it submits such report.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a task force to study and make recommendations concerning issues relating to parental involvement with students.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]