

Senate Engrossed
state finance review; task force

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SENATE BILL 1017

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE CITIZENS FINANCE REVIEW TASK FORCE.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Citizens finance review task force; membership;
3 duties; report; delayed repeal

4 A. The citizens finance review task force is established consisting
5 of the following members:

6 1. Three members of the house of representatives, two of whom are
7 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one of whom
8 is appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives. The
9 speaker of the house of representatives shall designate one of these
10 members to serve as cochairperson of the task force.

11 2. Three members of the senate, two of whom are appointed by the
12 president of the senate and one of whom is appointed by the minority
13 leader of the senate. The president of the senate shall designate one of
14 these members to serve as cochairperson of the task force.

15 3. The president of the Arizona board of regents or the president's
16 designee.

17 4. The president of the state board of education or the president's
18 designee.

19 5. The director of the department of child safety or the director's
20 designee.

21 6. The director of the Arizona health care cost containment system
22 administration or the director's designee.

23 7. One representative of a statewide organization representing the
24 business community who is appointed by the president of the senate.

25 8. One representative of a regional business organization
26 representing rural Arizona who is appointed by the speaker of the house of
27 representatives.

28 9. One representative of a statewide organization representing
29 business and education leaders who is appointed by the governor.

30 10. One representative of a statewide organization representing
31 public schoolteachers who is appointed by the minority leader of the
32 senate.

33 11. One representative of a statewide organization representing
34 school district governing boards who is appointed by the minority leader
35 of the house of representatives.

36 12. One representative of a statewide organization that advocates
37 on behalf of children in the areas of education, human services and the
38 state budget who is appointed by the governor.

39 13. Three economists, one of whom works for the university of
40 Arizona, one of whom works for Arizona state university and one of whom
41 works for northern Arizona university. The president of the Arizona board
42 of regents shall appoint these members.

43 14. One economist from the department of revenue who is appointed
44 by the director of the department of revenue.

1 15. Two private sector economists who are appointed by the
2 governor.

3 B. The task force shall hold regular meetings. All meetings of the
4 task force shall be open to the public. The task force shall give
5 reasonable notice of the meetings pursuant to title 38, chapter 3,
6 article 3.1, Arizona Revised Statutes, and shall allow public testimony at
7 every meeting. The task force shall meet at least once in Tucson, Yuma
8 and Flagstaff.

9 C. Task force members are not eligible to receive compensation, but
10 members appointed pursuant to subsection A, paragraphs 7 through 15 of
11 this section are eligible for reimbursement of expenses under title 38,
12 chapter 4, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes.

13 D. The task force shall:

14 1. Analyze the source of state general fund and nongeneral fund
15 revenues, as compared to other states, including sustainable, stable and
16 equitable fund revenues. The task force shall include in the revenue
17 analysis an analysis of the state general fund impact of all tax credits
18 and transaction privilege tax exemptions and their impact on economic
19 development.

20 2. Analyze state general fund and nongeneral fund expenditures, as
21 compared to other states, including budgeted expenditures based on an
22 analysis of necessary funding levels to meet the responsibilities of the
23 various state agencies.

24 3. Make recommendations regarding the responsible retirement of
25 existing state debt.

26 E. The task force may use the staff of state agencies, including
27 the joint legislative budget committee and the governor's office of
28 strategic planning and budgeting, the state universities and
29 nongovernmental entities for technical assistance and preparation of
30 meeting presentations.

31 F. On or before September 30, 2023, the task force shall submit a
32 report regarding its findings and recommendations to the governor, the
33 president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives
34 and shall provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state. On or
35 before January 31, 2024, the task force shall present the report at a
36 joint meeting of the house of representatives and senate appropriations
37 committees. The appropriations committees shall allow public testimony at
38 this joint meeting.

39 G. This section is repealed from and after September 30, 2024.