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AN ACT

1 Establishing a Small Business Task Force and providing for its
2 duties.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Small
7 Business Task Force Act.

8 Section 2. Definitions.

9 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
10 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
11 context clearly indicates otherwise:

12 "Task force." The Small Business Task Force.

13 Section 3. Small Business Task Force.

14 (a) Establishment.--The Small Business Task Force is hereby
15 established. The task force shall consist of 22 members who

1 represent a cross section of small businesses in this
2 Commonwealth as follows:

3 (1) The Majority Leader of the Senate and the Majority
4 Leader of the House of Representatives shall each appoint two
5 members.

6 (2) The Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority
7 Leader of the House of Representatives shall each appoint two
8 members.

9 (3) The Governor shall appoint 14 members.

10 (b) Duties.--The task force shall identify ways to improve
11 the Commonwealth's responsiveness to the interests of small
12 business and to assist small businesses to maintain and expand
13 their work force.

14 (c) Organization.--The task force shall elect a chairperson
15 by majority vote and may adopt any bylaws or procedures it deems
16 necessary to accomplish its purpose. Recommendations, positions
17 or other actions of the task force shall be by a majority of its
18 members.

19 (d) Report.--Within six months of the effective date of this
20 act, the task force shall prepare and transmit to the Governor
21 and to the General Assembly a report on its findings and
22 recommendations.

23 (e) Expenses.--Members of the board shall be reimbursed for
24 their travel expenses to attend meetings as authorized by the
25 Executive Board.

26 Section 4. Expiration.

27 The task force shall expire and its authority shall cease one
28 year from the effective date of this act.

29 Section 5. Effective date.

30 This act shall take effect in 60 days.