



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 1083***

LCO No. 4592



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING WAYS TO REGIONALIZE, PROFESSIONALIZE  
AND ENHANCE THE EFFICIENCY OF ELECTION ADMINISTRATION.***

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 election administration in the state. Such study shall include,  
3 but not be limited to, an examination of methods to regionalize,  
4 professionalize and enhance the efficiency of election administration  
5 and to recommend any legislation necessary to implement such  
6 methods.

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

8 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

9 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

10 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
11 Representatives, who shall be a member of an organization  
12 representing large municipalities;

13 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be  
14 a member of an organization representing small municipalities;

15 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
16 Representatives, who shall be a member of an organization  
17 representing registrars of voters;

18 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be  
19 a member of an organization representing registrars of voters;

20 (7) The Secretary of the State, or the secretary's designee;

21 (8) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the  
22 secretary's designee; and

23 (9) Two municipal officials appointed by the Governor, one of  
24 whom shall be the chief elected official of a municipality with a  
25 population of less than twenty thousand and one of whom shall be the  
26 chief elected official of a municipality with a population of more than  
27 twenty thousand.

28 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1) or  
29 (2) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member of the General  
30 Assembly.

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

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

39 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
40 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections

41 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

42 (g) Not later than January 1, 2016, the task force shall submit a  
43 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
44 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
45 relating to elections, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a  
46 of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it  
47 submits such report or January 1, 2016, whichever is later.

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 methods to regionalize, professionalize and enhance the efficiency of election administration.

*[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.]*