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Senate Bill 446 (Senator Middleton. *et al.*)

Economic and Environmental Affairs

Task Force on Resource Based Industry in Maryland - Establishment

This bill establishes a 17-member Task Force on Resource Based Industry in Maryland to examine the need for and the feasibility of establishing a financing development authority to assist Maryland's farming, fishing, forestry, and mining extraction industries with financial, training, and technical and business planning assistance. The bill describes the composition and duties of the task force and requires that the task force report its recommendations regarding the establishment of the authority to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2000. The Department of Legislative Services (DLS), in consultation with the Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) must provide staff support for the task force.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2000.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Any expense reimbursements for task force members and staffing costs for DLS and DBED are assumed to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgeted resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: No such task force exists.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 933 (Eastern Shore Delegation, *et al.*) - Environmental Matters.

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