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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study Issues Related to Diesel Vehicle Emissions of Trucks**
3 **and Buses**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a Task Force to Study Issues Related to Diesel
5 Vehicle Emissions of Trucks and Buses; specifying the membership of the Task
6 Force; requiring the Task Force to undertake a certain study; requiring the Task
7 Force to report to the Governor and the General Assembly before a certain date;
8 and generally relating to a Task Force to Study Issues Related to Diesel Vehicle
9 Emissions of Trucks and Buses.

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
11 MARYLAND, That:

12 (a) There is a Task Force to Study Issues Related to Diesel Vehicle Emissions
13 of Trucks and Buses.

14 (b) The Task Force shall consist of the following five members:

15 (1) Two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President
16 of the Senate; and

17 (2) Three members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker
18 of the House.

19 (c) The President and the Speaker shall jointly designate a chairman of the
20 Task Force.

21 (d) The Task Force shall:

22 (1) Review the effectiveness of the Diesel Vehicle Emissions Control
23 Program under Title 23, Subtitle 4 of the Transportation Article;

24 (2) Review the appropriateness of current diesel vehicle emissions
25 standards for trucks and buses; and

26 (3) Study the environmental impact of diesel vehicle emissions of trucks
27 and buses.

1 (e) The Department of Legislative Services, in consultation with the
2 Department of Transportation, shall staff the Task Force.

3 (f) The Task Force shall issue a final report of its findings and
4 recommendations, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the
5 Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2003.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2002.