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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

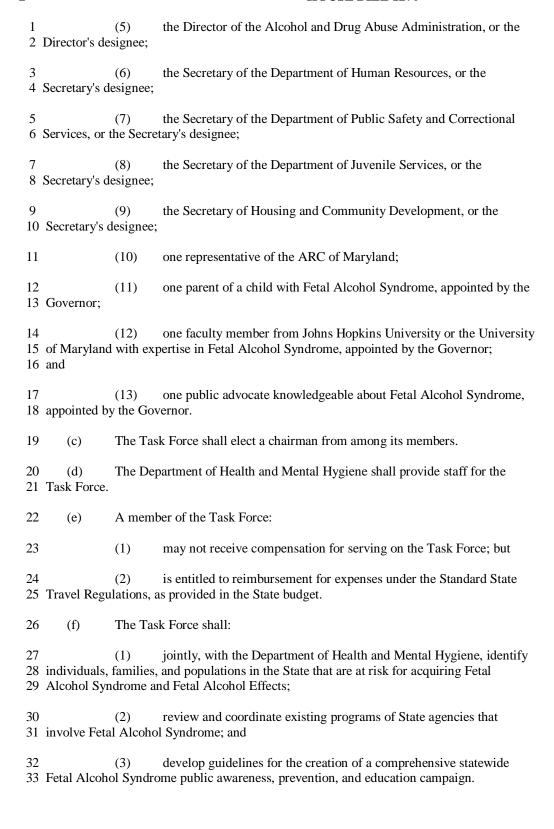
2 Task Force to Study the Prevention of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

- 3 FOR the purpose of creating a Task Force to Study the Prevention of Fetal Alcohol
- Syndrome; providing for the composition of the Task Force; requiring the Task 4
- 5 Force to choose a chairman from among its members; requiring the Department
- 6 of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide staffing for the Task Force; prohibiting
- 7 a Task Force member from receiving compensation but entitling members to
- 8 reimbursement for certain expenses under certain regulations; requiring the
- 9 Task Force to, jointly with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene,
- 10 identify certain at-risk individuals and groups, review and coordinate certain
- State programs related to Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, and develop guidelines for 11
- the creation of a certain campaign related to Fetal Alcohol Syndrome; requiring 12
- 13 the Task Force to submit a certain report to the Governor and certain
- committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for 14
- 15 the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the
- Prevention of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome. 16
- 17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 18 MARYLAND, That:
- 19 There is a Task Force to Study the Prevention of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome. (a)
- 20 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:
- 21 (1) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President
- 22 of the Senate;
- two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of 23 (2)

24 the House:

- 25 (3) the Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, or
- 26 the Secretary's designee;
- 27 (4) the State Superintendent of Education, or the State Superintendent's
- 28 designee;

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- 1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Task Force shall
- 2 issue a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor, and subject to §
- 3 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Education, Health, and
- 4 Environmental Affairs Committee, and the House Ways and Means Committee on or
- 5 before October 31, 2005.
- 6 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 7 October 1, 2004. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 1 month and, at
- 8 the end of October 31, 2005, with no further action required by the General Assembly,
- 9 this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.