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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2                                   **Task Force to Implement Holocaust, Genocide, Human Rights, and**  
3                                   **Tolerance Education**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Implement Holocaust, Genocide,  
5 Human Rights, and Tolerance Education; providing for the membership of the  
6 Task Force; requiring the Governor to designate the chair of the Task Force;  
7 requiring the University System of Maryland to provide staff for the Task Force;  
8 prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving compensation;  
9 authorizing a member of the Task Force to be reimbursed for certain expenses;  
10 ~~requiring the Task Force to advise the University System of Maryland regarding~~  
11 ~~the establishment of a certain pilot program and authorizing the Task Force to~~  
12 ~~make recommendations regarding certain course content and certain training~~  
13 ~~activities and exercises~~ establishing the duties of the Task Force; requiring the  
14 Task Force to submit certain reports; providing for the termination of this Act;  
15 and generally relating to the Task Force to Implement Holocaust, Genocide,  
16 Human Rights, and Tolerance Education at the University System of Maryland.

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
18 MARYLAND, That:

19       (a)       There is a Task Force to Implement Holocaust, Genocide, Human Rights,  
20 and Tolerance Education in the State.

21       (b)       (1)       The Task Force consists of the following members:

22                   (+)       (i)       two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the  
23 President of the Senate;



1 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State  
2 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

3 (f) (1) The Task Force ~~shall~~:

4 (1) ~~shall~~ advise the University System of Maryland regarding the  
5 establishment of a pilot program at a campus chosen by the Board of Regents that  
6 creates a Center for Excellence on the Study of the Holocaust, Genocide, Human  
7 Rights, and Tolerance that promotes education regarding the Holocaust, genocide,  
8 human rights, and tolerance; ~~and~~

9 (2) ~~may make recommendations regarding:~~

10 (i) ~~course content and other curricular materials for the effective~~  
11 ~~teaching of the Holocaust, genocide, human rights, and tolerance; and~~

12 (ii) ~~training activities and exercises for teachers to effectively teach~~  
13 ~~about the Holocaust, genocide, human rights, and tolerance.~~

14 (2) The Task Force may examine:

15 (i) current course offerings on the subjects of the Holocaust,  
16 genocide, human rights, and tolerance at constituent institutions of the University  
17 System of Maryland;

18 (ii) academic approaches taken in other states for the effective  
19 teaching of the Holocaust, genocide, human rights, and tolerance;

20 (iii) national best practices regarding training activities and  
21 exercises for public school teachers to effectively teach about the Holocaust, genocide,  
22 human rights, and tolerance; and

23 (iv) possible sources of funds to establish and sustain a Center for  
24 Excellence on the Study of the Holocaust, Genocide, Human Rights, and Tolerance.

25 (3) The Task Force may not make recommendations regarding  
26 mandatory course content or curricular materials for the University System of  
27 Maryland or public schools.

28 (g) The Task Force shall submit to the Governor and, in accordance with §  
29 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly:

30 (1) an interim report on or before March 1, 2007; and

31 (2) a final report on or before September 1, 2008.

32 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
33 October 1, 2005. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of  
34 September 30, 2008, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this  
35 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

