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House Bill 317

(Delegate Hammen, *et al.*)

Health and Government Operations

Finance

Task Force on the Establishment of a Prescription Drug Repository Program

This bill creates a task force to study and make recommendations regarding the establishment of a Prescription Drug Repository Program in the State. The task force must examine such issues as the types of drugs that may be donated, who may make or receive donations, standards and procedures for the program, inspection procedures, liability issues, fees, and any other relevant issues. Staff will be provided by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH). A report with findings and recommendations is due to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2006.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2005 and terminates June 30, 2006.

Fiscal Summary

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

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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