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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 691  
Ways and Means

(Delegate Zirkin, *et al.*)

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Task Force on Improvement of Continuing Education Opportunities for Senior  
Citizens

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This bill establishes a Task Force on Improvement of Continuing Education Opportunities for Senior Citizens to study impediments to the participation of senior citizens in continuing education and make recommendations to reduce the impediments. A final report is due by December 1, 2006. The Department of Aging must provide staff support for the task force.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2006 and terminates December 31, 2006.

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Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** The Department of Aging could provide staff support for the task force with existing personnel. State officials appointed to the task force could participate with existing budgeted resources.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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Analysis

**Bill Summary:** The bill lists potential obstacles that senior citizens may encounter in their pursuit of continuing education as access to transportation, access to education locations, and access to and familiarity with computers and other technology.

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## **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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