

HOUSE BILL 1146

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Implementing a BRAC TRAC in Middle**
3 **and High Schools**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Feasibility of
5 Implementing a BRAC TRAC in Middle and High Schools; providing for the
6 membership, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting members of the
7 Task Force from receiving certain compensation as members but entitling
8 members to reimbursement for certain expenses; establishing the duties of the
9 Task Force; requiring the Task Force to report certain findings and
10 recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a certain
11 date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the
12 Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Implementing a BRAC TRAC in Middle
13 and High Schools.

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That:

16 (a) There is a Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Implementing a BRAC
17 TRAC in Middle and High Schools.

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

19 (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President
20 of the Senate;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of
2 the House;

3 (3) the State Superintendent of Schools, or the State Superintendent's
4 designee;

5 (4) the Secretary of Higher Education, or the Secretary's designee;

6 (5) the Chair of the State Board of Education;

7 (6) the Executive Director of the Maryland Association of Community
8 Colleges, or the Executive Director's designee;

9 (7) one representative from the Army Alliance, Inc.; and

10 (8) one representative from Fort Meade.

11 (c) The Governor may appoint any other member of the Task Force who, in
12 the Governor's discretion, can assist the Task Force in performing its duties.

13 (d) The Governor shall designate the chair of the Task Force.

14 (e) The Department of Education shall provide staffing for the Task Force.

15 (f) A member of the Task Force:

16 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

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

19 (g) The Task Force shall:

20 (1) study the feasibility of implementing a program in middle and high
21 schools in the State designated as BRAC TRAC (Base Realignment and Closure,
22 Taking Responsibility, Action, and Care) with emphasis on math and science classes to
23 prepare participating students for BRAC-related technology, math, and science jobs;

24 (2) determine what types of jobs that are available in the geographic
25 area due to BRAC and what types of curriculum or courses may be necessary to
26 prepare students for qualifying for such jobs;

1 (3) study financial means for paying for the program beyond State
2 funds; and

3 (4) identify potential community partnerships for funding or providing
4 additional educational opportunities for participating students.

5 (h) The Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the
6 Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the
7 General Assembly by December 31, 2007.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 July 1, 2007. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30,
10 2008, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
11 abrogated and of no further force and effect.