

1-1 By: Guillen H.B. No. 1225
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Menéndez, Miles)
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 15, 2019;
 1-4 April 16, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Health
 1-5 & Human Services; May 16, 2019, reported favorably by the following
 1-6 vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 16, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to the re-creation of the Chronic Kidney Disease Task
 1-21 Force.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the Glenda Dawson Act.

1-24 SECTION 2. The state finds that the treatment of chronic
 1-25 kidney disease is a tremendous expense and that the early diagnosis
 1-26 and effective treatment of chronic kidney disease can prolong lives
 1-27 and delay the high cost of medical treatment, including dialysis
 1-28 and transplantation.

1-29 SECTION 3. Subtitle D, Title 2, Health and Safety Code, is
 1-30 amended by adding Chapter 83 to read as follows:

1-31 CHAPTER 83. CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE TASK FORCE

1-32 Sec. 83.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "task force"
 1-33 means the Chronic Kidney Disease Task Force.

1-34 Sec. 83.002. CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE TASK FORCE. (a) The
 1-35 Chronic Kidney Disease Task Force is composed of:

1-36 (1) 20 members appointed by the governor as follows:

1-37 (A) one family practice physician;

1-38 (B) one pathologist;

1-39 (C) one nephrologist from a nephrology
 1-40 department of a state medical school;

1-41 (D) one nephrologist in private practice;

1-42 (E) one representative from the National Kidney
 1-43 Foundation;

1-44 (F) one representative from the Texas Kidney
 1-45 Foundation;

1-46 (G) one representative from the South Plains
 1-47 Kidney Foundation of West Texas;

1-48 (H) one representative from the Texas Renal
 1-49 Coalition;

1-50 (I) one representative from the commission's
 1-51 Kidney Health Care Program;

1-52 (J) one representative of an insurer that issues
 1-53 a preferred provider benefit plan or of a health maintenance
 1-54 organization;

1-55 (K) one representative of clinical laboratories;

1-56 (L) one representative of private renal care
 1-57 providers;

1-58 (M) one pediatrician in private practice;

1-59 (N) one kidney transplant surgeon;

1-60 (O) one primary care physician;

1-61 (P) one licensed and certified renal dietitian;

2-1 (Q) one certified nephrology nurse;
2-2 (R) one representative from a health care system;
2-3 (S) one representative of the commission whose
2-4 duties involve the state Medicaid program; and

2-5 (T) one end stage renal disease expert;
2-6 (2) two members of the senate appointed by the
2-7 lieutenant governor; and

2-8 (3) two members of the house of representatives
2-9 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

2-10 (b) The governor shall designate a member of the task force
2-11 to serve as the presiding officer of the task force. The presiding
2-12 officer serves at the will of the governor.

2-13 (c) Appointments to the task force shall be made without
2-14 regard to the race, color, disability, sex, religion, age, or
2-15 national origin of the appointees.

2-16 Sec. 83.003. DUTIES. The task force shall:

2-17 (1) coordinate implementation of the state's
2-18 cost-effective plan for prevention, early screening, diagnosis,
2-19 and management of chronic kidney disease for the state's population
2-20 through national, state, and local partners; and

2-21 (2) educate health care professionals on the use of
2-22 clinical practice guidelines for screening, detecting, diagnosing,
2-23 treating, and managing chronic kidney disease, its comorbidities,
2-24 and its complications based on the Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality
2-25 Initiative Clinical Practice Guidelines for Chronic Kidney
2-26 Disease.

2-27 Sec. 83.004. REIMBURSEMENT. A member of the task force may
2-28 receive reimbursement for travel expenses as provided by Section
2-29 2110.004, Government Code.

2-30 Sec. 83.005. ASSISTANCE. The commission shall provide
2-31 administrative support to the task force, including necessary staff
2-32 and meeting facilities.

2-33 Sec. 83.006. REPORT. Not later than January 1 of each
2-34 odd-numbered year, the task force shall submit its findings and
2-35 recommendations to:

2-36 (1) the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of
2-37 the house of representatives; and

2-38 (2) the presiding officers of the appropriate standing
2-39 committees of the legislature with jurisdiction over health issues.

2-40 Sec. 83.007. FUNDING. (a) The task force, through the
2-41 commission, may accept gifts and grants from individuals, private
2-42 or public organizations, or federal or local funds to support the
2-43 task force.

2-44 (b) The commission shall investigate any potential sources
2-45 of funding from federal grants or programs.

2-46 Sec. 83.008. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER LAW. Except as
2-47 specifically provided by this chapter, Chapter 2110, Government
2-48 Code, does not apply to the task force.

2-49 Sec. 83.009. TASK FORCE REVIEW AND ABOLISHMENT. (a) The
2-50 commission shall review the continued need for the task force at
2-51 least once every five years.

2-52 (b) If the commission determines the task force is no longer
2-53 needed and should be abolished, the commission shall publish notice
2-54 of its decision in the Texas Register and on the commission's
2-55 Internet website.

2-56 (c) The task force is abolished on the date stated in the
2-57 notice required by Subsection (b).

2-58 SECTION 4. Not later than January 1, 2020, the governor,
2-59 lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of representatives
2-60 shall appoint the members to the Chronic Kidney Disease Task Force
2-61 as required by Section 83.002, Health and Safety Code, as added by
2-62 this Act.

2-63 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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