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By Representatives Cody and Backlund

On page 9, after line 35, insert a new section as follows

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. A special legislative task force is established to monitor implementation of this act. The task force shall consist of four members from the house of representatives, no more than two of whom shall be members of the same caucus, who shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and four members from the senate, no more than two of whom shall be members of the same caucus, who shall be appointed by the president of the senate. The task force shall:

- (1) Review the proposed nurse delegation protocols developed by the nursing care quality assurance commission;
- (2) Review the proposed core and specialized training curricula developed by the department of social and health services and by the nursing care quality assurance commission;
- (3) Review the program and reimbursement policies, and the identified barriers to nurse delegation, developed by the department of health and department of social and health services;
- (4) Submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations on the above actions to the legislature by January 1, 1996;
- (5) During 1996, conduct hearings to assess the effectiveness with which the delegation protocols, the core training, and nurse oversight are being implemented, and their impact on patient care and quality of life;
 - (6) Review and approve the proposed study designs;
- (7) By February 1, 1997, recommend to the legislature a mechanism and time frame for extending nurse delegation provisions similar to those described in this act to persons residing in their own homes;

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(8) During 1997, receive interim reports on the findings of the studies conducted in accordance with this act, and conduct additional fact-finding hearings on the implementation and impact of the nurse delegation provisions of this act.

The office of program research and senate committee services shall provide staff support to the task force. The department of health, the department of social and health services, and the nursing care quality assurance commission shall provide technical support as needed. The task force shall cease to exist on January 1, 1998, unless extended by act of the legislature."

EFFECT: Establishes a joint legislative task force to monitor implementation of this act and study effectiveness of nurse delegation protocols and training with report to the Legislature by February 1, 1997.

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