
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4429

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1 WHEREAS, It is important for government to provide high quality
2 services in an efficient and cost-effective manner, recognizing the
3 value and competence of both public employees and private employees;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Many innovative procedures are being developed and
6 utilized across the nation to provide high quality services in an
7 efficient and cost-effective manner, recognizing the value and
8 competence of both public employees and private employees; and

9 WHEREAS, It is important to provide state and local levels of
10 government with flexible procedures and options to provide high quality
11 services in an efficient and cost-effective manner, recognizing the
12 value and competence of both public employees and private employees;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives of
14 the state of Washington, the Senate concurring, That a joint task force
15 on managed competition and quality initiatives for government services
16 is created and composed of thirteen voting members as follows: (1) Two
17 members shall be members of the house of representatives, one from each
18 of the two largest caucuses, appointed by the speaker of the house of
19 representatives; (2) two members shall be members of the senate, one
20 from each of the two largest caucuses, appointed by the president of
21 the senate; (3) one appointee of the governor; (4) one member shall be

1 appointed by the Washington federation of state employees; (5) one
2 member shall be appointed by the Washington public employees
3 association; (6) one member shall be appointed by the Washington state
4 council of county and city employees; (7) one member shall be appointed
5 by the association of Washington cities; (8) one member shall be
6 appointed by the Washington state association of counties; and (9)
7 three members shall be appointed by the association of Washington
8 business; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That nonlegislative members of the joint
10 task force shall be reimbursed for travel expenses as provided in RCW
11 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. Legislative members shall be reimbursed for
12 travel expenses under RCW 44.04.120. The staff of the senate committee
13 services and office of program research of the house of representatives
14 shall provide staff support to the joint task force; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint task force shall be
16 cochaired by one senator, chosen by the task force, and one state
17 representative, chosen by the task force. The cochairs shall be from
18 opposite parties. A quorum for any meeting or hearing shall be seven
19 members. The cochairs may appoint experts and advisors as nonvoting
20 members of the joint task force to provide input on various subjects.
21 Any final findings, conclusions, or recommendations of the joint task
22 force must be agreed to by at least seven members, but minority
23 findings, conclusions, or recommendations may be included that are
24 submitted by any member or group of members. The open public meetings
25 act shall apply to all meetings and hearings of the joint task force.
26 Rules of procedure shall be established at the first meeting of the
27 joint task force; and

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint task force shall complete a
29 thorough study of the provision of government services using managed
30 competition, quality and efficiency programs from the public and
31 private sectors, and alternative financing for government services; and

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint task force shall convene
33 commencing July 1, 1998, periodically report its findings and any
34 recommendations to the legislature, and shall present a final report to
35 the legislature by December 31, 2000; and

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint task force shall be
37 dissolved on December 31, 2000.

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