

SHB 3160 - H AMD 1275

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1)(a) A legislative task force on
4 nutritional information disclosure is established, with members
5 appointed by the governor as provided in this subsection:

6 (i) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate;

7 (ii) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house
8 of representatives;

9 (iii) Four representatives of the restaurant industry in
10 consultation with the Washington restaurant association;

11 (iv) Two representatives of consumer groups in consultation with
12 the American heart association and the American diabetes association;

13 (v) One representative from the state board of health; and

14 (vi) One representative from a local board of health or health
15 district.

16 (b) The task force shall choose its chair from among its membership
17 at its first meeting.

18 (2) The task force must study current efforts on nutritional
19 information disclosure at restaurants including, but not limited to,
20 systems for estimating actual nutritional information, health impacts
21 of menu labeling, cost and impact to the restaurant industry, and
22 alternatives to any current approaches. The task force must also
23 review how other states are addressing the issue.

24 (3) Staff support for the task force must be provided by the senate
25 committee services and the house of representatives office of program
26 research.

27 (4) Legislative members of the task force must be reimbursed for
28 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120.

29 (5) The expenses of the task force must be paid jointly by the
30 senate and the house of representatives. Task force expenditures are

1 subject to approval by the senate facilities and operations committee
2 and the house of representatives executive rules committee, or their
3 successor committees.

4 (6) The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to
5 the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2008, with
6 recommendations for providing nutritional information to consumers in
7 restaurant settings.

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A moratorium is enacted upon all local
9 boards of health or health districts from adopting an ordinance, rule,
10 policy, regulation, or permit requirement regarding mandatory menu
11 labeling or nutritional information disclosure until April 26, 2009.
12 Any ordinance, rule, policy, regulation, or permit requirement
13 regarding mandatory menu labeling or nutritional information disclosure
14 adopted before the effective date of this section shall not be enforced
15 until April 26, 2009. This chapter does not prohibit a local board of
16 health or health district from adopting or encouraging voluntary
17 measures regarding menu labeling or nutritional information disclosure
18 at restaurants."

19 Correct the title.

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