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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill creates a task force to study issues relating to uncollected fines, surcharges, court costs, fees and penalties owed to the state and units of local government.

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##### **1 Uncollected fines and penalties task force.**

**Para. (a).** Creates a 13-member task force to study issues related to uncollected debts owed to the state and units of local government. The task force consists of:

- two members from the house of representatives, one from each caucus;
- two senators, one from each caucus;
- a county commissioner;
- a county sheriff;
- a representative from the Department of Public Safety;

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- a representative from the Department of Revenue;
- a representative from court administration; and
- four public members appointed by the Governor.

**Para. (b).** Directs the task force to recommend changes in law and administrative practices necessary to improve collection efforts. Requires a report to the legislature by January 15, 2007.

**Para. (c).** Provides that the Legislative Coordinating Commission and the Department of Administration must provide administrative support to the task force.

[Effective: Day following final enactment.]