

Subject Emergency medical services task force; appropriations

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## Overview

This bill establishes an emergency medical services task force and appropriates money for the task force and for a program to promote retention of volunteer ambulance attendants and reserve officers.

## Summary

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1	<b>Emergency medical services task force.</b>
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Establishes an emergency medical services task force to evaluate and make recommendations on the provision of emergency medical services in Minnesota.

**Subd. 1. Establishment; duties.** Establishes the task force and directs it to make recommendations on how to improve and modernize the provision of emergency medical services in the state; needed changes to education or training requirements; and how to coordinate ambulance service operations with the needs of hospitals.

**Subd. 2. Membership.** Establishes task force membership, requires members to be appointed by August 1, 2020, and provides that compensation and reimbursement for expenses are governed by section 15.059, subdivision 3.

**Subd. 3. Co-chairpersons; meetings.** Designates the task force members appointed by the House speaker and the Senate majority leader as the co-chairpersons of the task force, requires the first meeting to be convened by August 15, 2020, and makes task force meetings subject to the Open Meeting Law.

**Subd. 4. Administrative support.** Directs the Health Department to provide administrative support to the task force.

**Subd. 5. Report.** Requires the task force to submit a written report to the members of certain legislative committees by January 1, 2022.

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**Subd. 6. Expiration.** Makes the task force expire upon submission of the required report or January 1, 2022, whichever is later.

2 **Appropriations.**

Makes the following appropriations:

- appropriates \$250,000 in FY 2021 from the general fund to the commissioner of health for the task force; and
- appropriates \$200,000 in FY 2021 from the general fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant program to promote retention of ambulance service volunteers and volunteer reserve officers.



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