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TASK FORCE TO STUDY DEATHS RESULTING FROM BUILDING FIRES

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At the request of the General Assembly, the Governor created the Task Force to Study Deaths Resulting from Building Fires in July 1985 (Joint Resolution no. 6, Acts of 1985). The charge of the Task Force is to study fire deaths and their cause, combustibility, flammability, fire gas toxicity, and suppression and detection systems. The Task Force will study the safety of building materials and furnishings and how these contribute to fire deaths. It will examine hazard analysis that concerns ease of ignition, rate of heat release, smoke development and products of combustion toxicity. In addition, the Task Force is to study the effectiveness of protection devices (such as quick-response sprinklers) and promote research.

In January 1987, the Task Force submitted an interim report. Its final report will be submitted to the Governor and General Assembly in January 1988.

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Created by Executive Order, the Commission on State Debt replaced the former Committee to Study the State Debt in 1980.

The Commission on State Debt serves as an advisory group. Annually, it recommends to the Board of Public Works a State tax rate on real and personal property. This tax rate must provide sufficient funds to meet debt service requirements on outstanding general obligation bonds during the next ensuing fiscal year.

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