

## (E) A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE:

(1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR SERVING ON THE TASK FORCE; BUT

(2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

## (F) THE TASK FORCE:

(1) SHALL DETERMINE THE PREVALENCE OF THE USE OF METHYLPHENIDATE AMONG SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN IN THE STATE;

(2) SHALL DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH TREATMENTS FOR ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER OTHER THAN METHYLPHENIDATE ARE GENERALLY AVAILABLE OR IN USE;

(3) SHALL DETERMINE WHO PRESCRIBES METHYLPHENIDATE TO SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN AND WHY;

~~(4)~~ (4) MAY CONSULT WITH EDUCATION AND HEALTH OFFICIALS AND EXPERTS IN THIS STATE AND IN OTHER STATES AND COUNTRIES;

~~(5)~~ (5) SHALL CONVENE A STATEWIDE CONFERENCE ON ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER THAT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS TO EXAMINE THE LATEST INFORMATION ON ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER, THE USE OF METHYLPHENIDATE, DEXTROAMPHETAMINE, MAGNESIUM PEMOLINE, AND OTHER MEDICATIONS EFFECTIVE IN THE TREATMENT OF THE DISORDER, AND NONPHARMACOLOGICAL INTERVENTIONS IN THE TREATMENT OF ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER;

~~(6)~~ (6) SHALL DEVELOP EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND MATERIALS CONCERNING ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER FOR DISTRIBUTION TO PARENTS, EDUCATORS, AND PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS; AND

~~(7)~~ (7) MAY TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION NECESSARY AND PROPER TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.

(G) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, ~~1998~~ 1999, THE TASK FORCE SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT OF ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1312 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

~~(H) THIS SECTION SHALL TERMINATE AND BE OF NO EFFECT AFTER JANUARY 1, 1998.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October June 1, 1997. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 6 months and, at the end of January 1, 1999, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved May 8, 1997.