

CHAPTER 444

(House Bill 532)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene - Osteoporosis Prevention and Education ~~Program~~ Task Force

FOR the purpose of ~~requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish a certain osteoporosis prevention and education program; specifying certain purposes of this Act; requiring the Department to develop a certain public education and outreach campaign, to develop certain educational materials and professional education programs, and to develop, maintain, and distribute a list of certain providers; establishing an Osteoporosis Prevention and Education Task Force in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; providing for the composition of the Task Force; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to designate the chairman of the Task Force; requiring the Department to provide staff for the Task Force; requiring the Department Task Force to conduct a certain needs assessment and to gather certain data ; requiring the Task Force to make certain recommendations to the Department about certain osteoporosis initiatives; authorizing the Task Force to hold public hearings and solicit information from certain persons; requiring the Department annually to make a certain evaluation and to submit a certain report; establishing an Osteoporosis Advisory Council in the Department; providing for the composition, authority, meeting procedure, staff, and chairperson of the Council and the compensation, terms, vacancies, and removal of its members; authorizing the Department to accept certain grants, services, and property; requiring the Department to seek a certain federal waiver; requiring the Task Force to carry out its responsibilities to the extent funding is available; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to a certain ~~program~~ Task Force concerning osteoporosis in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.~~

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 1-101(a) and (c)

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BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 13-1601 through ~~13-1610~~ 13-1606 to be under the new subtitle

"Subtitle 16. Osteoporosis Prevention and Education ~~Program~~ Task Force"

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