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Committee: Health and Human Services

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to infants; to amend section 43-4001, Reissue
2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions
3 relating to membership on the Children's Behavioral
4 Health Task Force; to repeal the original section; and to
5 declare an emergency.
6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 43-4001, Reissue Revised Statutes of
2 Nebraska, is amended to read:

3 43-4001 (1) The Children's Behavioral Health Task Force
4 is created. The task force shall consist of the following members:

5 (a) The chairperson of the Health and Human Services
6 Committee of the Legislature or another member of the committee as
7 his or her designee;

8 (b) The chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of
9 the Legislature or another member of the committee as his or her
10 designee;

11 (c) Two providers of community-based behavioral health
12 services to children, appointed by the chairperson of the Health
13 and Human Services Committee of the Legislature;

14 (d) One regional administrator appointed under section
15 71-808, appointed by the chairperson of the Health and Human
16 Services Committee of the Legislature;

17 (e) Two representatives of organizations advocating on
18 behalf of consumers of children's behavioral health services and
19 their families, appointed by the chairperson of the Health and
20 Human Services Committee of the Legislature;

21 (f) One juvenile court judge, appointed by the Chief
22 Justice of the Supreme Court;

23 (g) Two representatives of the Department of Health and
24 Human Services, appointed by the Governor; and

25 (h) The Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Services;

1 and-

2 (i) The probation administrator or his or her designee.

3 (2) Members of the task force appointed or designated
4 under subdivisions (g) and (h) of subsection (1) of this section
5 shall be nonvoting ex officio members.

6 ~~(2)~~ Members of the task force shall serve without
7 compensation but shall be reimbursed from the Nebraska Health
8 Care Cash Fund for their actual and necessary expenses as provided
9 in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.

10 (3) The chairperson of the Health and Human Services
11 Committee of the Legislature or his or her designee shall serve as
12 chairperson of the task force. Administrative and staff support for
13 the task force shall be provided by the Health and Human Services
14 Committee of the Legislature and the Appropriations Committee of
15 the Legislature.

16 Sec. 2. Original section 43-4001, Reissue Revised
17 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.

18 Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
19 when passed and approved according to law.