

Amend **CSHB 4180** (senate committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. (a) In this section, "task force" means the task force on flood control infrastructure established under this section.

(b) Subject to Subsection (i) of this section, the task force is established to conduct a comprehensive flood control infrastructure study for Harris County. The study must:

(1) assess the existing infrastructure in Harris County with respect to flood control; and

(2) identify infrastructure improvements necessary to mitigate flooding in that county.

(c) The task force is composed of 11 members as follows:

(1) one person appointed by the governor;

(2) one person appointed by the lieutenant governor;

(3) one person appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(4) two representatives of the University of Houston's Hobby School of Public Affairs or Cullen College of Engineering, one of whom is appointed by the author of this Act and one of whom is appointed by the sponsor of this Act;

(5) two representatives of Texas Southern University's Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs or Department of Transportation Studies, one of whom is appointed by the author of this Act and one of whom is appointed by the sponsor of this Act;

(6) one representative of the mayor of the City of Houston, appointed by the mayor;

(7) one representative of the Harris County Commissioners Court, appointed by the commissioners court;

(8) one other person appointed by the author of this Act; and

(9) one other person appointed by the sponsor of this Act.

(d) One member appointed under Subsection (c)(4) of this section serves as the presiding officer of the task force, and one member appointed under Subsection (c)(5) of this section serves as

the assistant presiding officer.

(e) The Hobby School of Public Affairs and the Cullen College of Engineering of the University of Houston shall provide necessary staff and administrative support to the task force.

(f) The Harris County Flood Control District shall serve as an advisor to the task force by reviewing task force work products and providing data and other information necessary to conduct the study.

(g) The task force shall prepare a report that includes:

- (1) a description of the activities of the task force;
- (2) the findings and recommendations of the task force, including any proposed policy recommendations; and
- (3) any proposals for legislation or other matters the task force considers appropriate.

(h) Not later than December 1, 2018, the task force shall submit the report prepared under this section to:

- (1) the governor;
- (2) the lieutenant governor;
- (3) the speaker of the house of representatives; and
- (4) the presiding officers of the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives having primary jurisdiction over issues relating to flood control infrastructure.

(i) This section does not make an appropriation. Subsections (b)-(h) of this section are not mandatory unless:

- (1) the legislature makes a specific appropriation to implement this section; or
- (2) grants or private donations are made for the purpose of implementing this section.

(j) If a study is not conducted under Subsection (b) of this section, the University of Houston's Hobby School of Public Affairs and Cullen College of Engineering jointly may prepare a comprehensive flood control infrastructure study plan for Harris County. A plan prepared under this subsection must identify potential infrastructure improvements that should be the subject of a comprehensive study regarding flood mitigation in Harris County.

(k) The University of Houston's Hobby School of Public Affairs and Cullen College of Engineering shall submit a plan

prepared under Subsection (j) of this section to the presiding officers of the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives having primary jurisdiction over issues relating to flood control infrastructure.

(1) This section expires and the task force is abolished January 1, 2019.