

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3183
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Public Health
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that members of the medical profession and patient advocates believe more attention should be drawn to chronic kidney disease. H.B. 3183 seeks to address this issue by re-establishing a task force on chronic kidney disease.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 3183 amends the Health and Safety Code to provide for the composition, reimbursement, administration, and funding of the chronic kidney disease task force. The bill requires the task force to coordinate implementation of the state's cost-effective plan for prevention, early screening, diagnosis, and management of chronic kidney disease for the state's population through national, state, and local partners and to educate health care professionals on the use of specified clinical practice guidelines based on the Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative Clinical Practice Guidelines for Chronic Kidney Disease. The bill requires the task force, not later than January 1 of each even-numbered year, to submit its findings and recommendations to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the presiding officers of the appropriate standing committees of the legislature with jurisdiction over health issues. The bill exempts the task force from Government Code provisions relating to state agency advisory committees, except as specifically provided by the bill's provisions. The bill requires the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of representatives to appoint members to the task force not later than January 1, 2018.

H.B. 3183 requires the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to review the need for the chronic kidney disease task force at least once every five years and requires DSHS, if DSHS determines the task force is no longer needed and should be abolished, to publish notice of this decision in the Texas Register and on the DSHS website. The bill abolishes the task force on the date stated in the notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.