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H.B. No. 4196

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4196:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the establishment of the Task Force on Modernizing
3 Manufacturing.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 481, Government Code, is amended by
6 adding Subchapter HH to read as follows:

7 SUBCHAPTER HH. TASK FORCE ON MODERNIZING MANUFACTURING

8 Sec. 481.701. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "task force"
9 means the Task Force on Modernizing Manufacturing.

10 Sec. 481.702. CREATION OF TASK FORCE; COMPOSITION. (a) The
11 Task Force on Modernizing Manufacturing is established to study the
12 modernization of manufacturing in this state.

13 (b) The task force is composed of 15 members, consisting of:

14 (1) the executive director of the office or the
15 executive director's designee; and

16 (2) the following members appointed by the governor,
17 on the recommendation of the executive director of the office or the
18 executive director's designee:

19 (A) two members representing small manufacturers
20 with an established presence in this state;

21 (B) two members representing mid-sized
22 manufacturers with an established presence in this state;

23 (C) two members representing large manufacturers
24 with an established presence in this state;

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1 (D) two experts in automation and digital
2 technologies related to manufacturing;

5 (F) two members representing organized labor in
6 the manufacturing industry;

11 (I) one additional member representing the
12 office.

13 (c) The executive director of the office or the executive
14 director's designee shall serve as the presiding officer of the
15 task force

16 (d) The task force shall meet at the call of the presiding
17 officer

18 Sec. 481.703. DUTIES OF TASK FORCE. (a) The task force

19 shall:

1 technologies; and

2 (4) evaluate the potential economic effect of
3 modernizing manufacturing, including job creation and retention,
4 increased productivity, and competitiveness.

5 (b) The task force may establish subcommittees as necessary
6 to carry out its duties under this subchapter.

7 Sec. 481.704. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT. The office shall
8 provide the staff and facilities necessary to assist the task force
9 in performing the task force's duties under this subchapter.

10 Sec. 481.705. REPORT. Not later than October 1, 2026, the
11 task force shall prepare and deliver to the governor, the
12 lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives,
13 and each standing committee of the legislature with primary
14 jurisdiction over economic development matters a report on the task
15 force's findings and recommendations for legislative or other
16 action.

17 Sec. 481.706. EXPIRATION. The task force is abolished and
18 this subchapter expires September 1, 2027.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.