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Bill Title: Relating to ensuring that forced labor is not used for electric products that public bodies procure; prescribing an effective date.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Legislative Assembly, Department of Corrections, Parks and Recreation Department, Department of Energy, Department of Transportation, Department of Forestry, Department of Administrative Services

Summary of Fiscal Impact

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal - see explanatory analysis.

Measure Description

The measure creates the 11-member Task Force on Ethical Procurement to devise methods for verifying the identities of manufacturers, distributors, vendors or suppliers of products that public bodies procure, with particular emphasis on electric vehicles (EV), solar photovoltaic energy systems and other electric products. The task force shall also develop methods to ensure public bodies do not procure products where production, including the mining of constituent materials and sourcing of parts, assembly, transportation or sale of the products, used or involved forced labor or oppressive child labor. The Department of Administrative Services (DAS) is directed to provide staff support for the task force.

Fiscal Analysis

Costs related to the task force are anticipated to be absorbed within current agency resources.

Department of Administrative Services

The bill requires DAS to provide staff support to the task force. DAS assumes a minimal fiscal impact, utilizing existing staff to provide support to this Task Force. Although the Department's current service level budget supports the fiscal impact of staffing the task force, if the work required by this measure, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2025-27 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

Assuming monthly meetings for 15 months, this will require one Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position assigned part-time to the task force (0.33 FTE) and one Executive Support Specialist 2 position assigned part-time to the task force (0.33 FTE).

Legislative Assembly

The bill is also expected to have a minimal impact on the Legislative Assembly. Although the 2025-27 Legislative Assembly budget contains funds allocated for interim committees and task forces, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2025-27 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

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FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Legislative members of the task force are entitled to per diem and travel reimbursement. The task force would not incur additional costs to the Legislative Assembly budget if the meetings are held at the Capitol building during the Legislative Session, or Task Force or Legislative Days.

The measure has minimal fiscal impact to remaining state agencies for participation on the task force.

Relevant Dates

The bill declares an emergency and takes effect on passage, and the task force sunsets on December 31, 2026.

The task force is to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to public procurement by December 15, 2026.

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