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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING CREATION OF AN INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE ON**
102 **TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)

Creates an interagency task force on trafficking in persons ("task force"). Specifies the members of the task force. Requires the task force to:

Collect and organize data on the nature and extent of trafficking in persons in the state;
Investigate collaborative models for protecting victims of trafficking;
Measure and evaluate the progress of the state in

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*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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preventing trafficking, protecting and providing assistance to victims of trafficking, and prosecuting persons engaged in trafficking;

Identify available federal, state, and local programs that provide services to victims of trafficking that include, but are not limited to, health care, human services, housing, education, legal assistance, job training or preparation, interpreting services, English-as-a-second-language classes, voluntary repatriation, and victim's compensation;

Evaluate approaches to increase public awareness in trafficking;

Analyze existing state criminal statutes for their adequacy in addressing trafficking and, if such analysis determines that those statutes are inadequate, recommend revision to the statutes or enactment of new statutes that better address trafficking; and

Consult with governmental and non-governmental organizations in developing recommendations to strengthen state and local efforts to prevent trafficking, protect and assist victims of trafficking, and prosecute traffickers.

Requires state and local agencies to cooperate with the task force.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** Title 18, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
3 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW ARTICLE to read:

4 **ARTICLE 1.8**

5 **Interagency Task Force on Trafficking in Persons**

6 **18-1.8-101. Interagency task force.** (1) THERE IS HEREBY
7 CREATED AN INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS,
8 REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "TASK FORCE".

9 (2) THE TASK FORCE SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS
10 OR THEIR DESIGNEES:

11 (a) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL;

12 (b) THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLORADO DISTRICT ATTORNEYS
13 COUNCIL;

- 1 (c) THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER;
- 2 (d) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
- 3 SAFETY;
- 4 (e) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND
- 5 EMPLOYMENT;
- 6 (f) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
- 7 SERVICES;
- 8 (g) A MUNICIPAL POLICE CHIEF APPOINTED BY THE COLORADO
- 9 ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE;
- 10 (h) THE GOVERNOR;
- 11 (I) A SHERIFF APPOINTED BY THE STATE SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION;
- 12 (j) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION
- 13 REPRESENTING VICTIMS;
- 14 (k) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A STATEWIDE COALITION
- 15 REPRESENTING VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE;
- 16 (l) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A STATEWIDE COALITION
- 17 REPRESENTING VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT.
- 18 (3) THE TASK FORCE SHALL:
- 19 (a) COLLECT AND ORGANIZE DATA ON THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF
- 20 TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS IN THE STATE;
- 21 (b) INVESTIGATE COLLABORATIVE MODELS FOR PROTECTING
- 22 VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING;
- 23 (c) MEASURE AND EVALUATE THE PROGRESS OF THE STATE IN
- 24 PREVENTING TRAFFICKING, PROTECTING AND PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO
- 25 VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING, AND PROSECUTING PERSONS ENGAGED IN
- 26 TRAFFICKING;
- 27 (d) IDENTIFY AVAILABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL PROGRAMS

1 THAT PROVIDE SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING THAT INCLUDE, BUT
2 ARE NOT LIMITED TO, HEALTH CARE, HUMAN SERVICES, HOUSING,
3 EDUCATION, LEGAL ASSISTANCE, JOB TRAINING OR PREPARATION,
4 INTERPRETING SERVICES, ENGLISH-AS-A-SECOND-LANGUAGE CLASSES,
5 VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION, AND VICTIM'S COMPENSATION;

6 (e) EVALUATE APPROACHES TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS IN
7 TRAFFICKING;

8 (f) ANALYZE EXISTING STATE CRIMINAL STATUTES FOR THEIR
9 ADEQUACY IN ADDRESSING TRAFFICKING AND, IF SUCH ANALYSIS
10 DETERMINES THAT THOSE STATUTES ARE INADEQUATE, RECOMMEND
11 REVISION TO THE STATUTES OR ENACTMENT OF NEW STATUTES THAT
12 BETTER ADDRESS TRAFFICKING; AND

13 (g) CONSULT WITH GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL
14 ORGANIZATIONS IN DEVELOPING RECOMMENDATIONS TO STRENGTHEN
15 STATE AND LOCAL EFFORTS TO PREVENT TRAFFICKING, PROTECT AND
16 ASSIST VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING, AND PROSECUTE TRAFFICKERS.

17 (4) ALL STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES SHALL COOPERATE WITH THE
18 TASK FORCE AND PROVIDE SUCH DATA AND OTHER INFORMATION AS THE
19 TASK FORCE MAY REQUIRE IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES UNDER THIS
20 SECTION.

21 (5) THE TASK FORCE SHALL REPORT ITS FINDINGS AND
22 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF
23 REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE BY JANUARY 15, 2007.

24 (6) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "TRAFFICKING" MEANS
25 ALL ACTS INVOLVED IN THE RECRUITMENT, ABDUCTION, TRANSPORT,
26 HARBORING, TRANSFER, SALE, OR RECEIPT OF PERSONS, WITHIN NATIONAL
27 OR INTERNATIONAL BORDERS, THROUGH FORCE, COERCION, FRAUD,

1 DECEPTION, TO PLACE PERSONS IN SITUATIONS OF SLAVERY OR
2 SLAVERY-LIKE CONDITIONS, FORCED LABOR OR SERVICES, SUCH AS
3 FORCED PROSTITUTION OR SEXUAL SERVICES, DOMESTIC SERVITUDE,
4 BONDED SWEATSHOP LABOR, OR OTHER DEBT BONDAGE.

5 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
6 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
7 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.