March 05, 2019, Introduced by Rep. Hoitenga and referred to the Committee on Families, Children, and Seniors.

A bill to amend 1973 PA 116, entitled
"An act to provide for the protection of children through the licensing and regulation of child care organizations; to provide for the establishment of standards of care for child care organizations; to prescribe powers and duties of certain departments of this state and adoption facilitators; to provide penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

(MCL 722.111 to 722.128) by adding section 1b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1b. (1) The child care task force is created within the department.
(2) Not less than 90 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, the governor shall appoint the initial members to the task force. The task force shall consist of 13 members appointed by the governor as follows:

(a) The director of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs or his or her designee shall serve as co-chair.

(b) The director of the department of health and human services or his or her designee shall serve as co-chair.

(c) The director of the department of education or his or her designee.

(d) One member chosen by the governor from a list of 3 names submitted by the Small Business Association of Michigan.

(e) One member chosen by the governor from a list of 3 names submitted by the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

(f) One member chosen by the governor from a list of 3 names submitted by the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

(g) One member chosen by the speaker of the house.

(h) One member chosen by the senate majority leader.

(i) Four child care providers, 1 from each state court of appeals district chosen by the governor.

(j) One member of the Early Childhood Investment Corporation executive committee, chosen by the Early Childhood Investment Corporation executive committee.

(3) A vacancy on the task force shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment is made. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation.

(4) The task force shall meet at the call of the chair at least 1 time per month during the first year following the initial appointment of the members. After publication of the report
required under subsection (5), the task force shall meet 1 time per quarter each year.

(5) Not later than 1 year after the initial members have been appointed, the task force shall submit a report regarding its child care recommendations to the legislature. The report must include recommendations regarding all of the following:

(a) Developing regulations governing licensing and regulatory matters for child care centers, group child care homes, and family child care homes.

(b) Administration of child care centers, group child care homes, and family child care homes.

(c) Interpretation of statute relating to child care matters.

(d) Economic implications.

(6) Following submission of the initial report, the task force shall submit annually to the legislature a report that provides information regarding the progress made toward the recommendations provided in the initial report or the prior year's report and new recommendations as considered necessary by the task force.

(7) The task force is dissolved effective December 31, 2021.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.