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Introduced by Sens. MARTINS, BORRELLO, CANZONERI-FITZPATRICK, RHOADS, ROLISON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development

AN ACT establishing the local initiatives task force on housing; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby established the local initiatives task force on housing. The purpose of such task force shall be to collaborate with local government officials, state agencies, and stakeholders to develop best practices for local governments to incentivize housing development.

§ 2. The task force shall consist of sixteen members, to be appointed as follows:

(a) the commissioner of the division of homes and community renewal, or such commissioner's designee;

(b) one member to be appointed by the governor;

(c) one member to be appointed by the speaker of the assembly;

(d) one member to be appointed by the minority leader of the assembly;

(e) one member to be appointed by the temporary president of the senate;

(f) one member to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate;

(g) two members to be appointed by the largest advocacy group representing mayors in New York;

(h) two members to be appointed by the largest advocacy group representing county governments in New York;

(i) two members to be appointed by the largest trade association representing homebuilders in New York;

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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(j) two members to be appointed by the largest trade labor association representing building and construction workers; and

(k) two members to be appointed by the largest trade association representing real estate developers.

§ 3. The task force shall be chaired by the commissioner of the division of homes and community renewal or such commissioner's designee. Members of the task force shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in the work of the task force.

§ 4. The task force shall be authorized to hold public hearings and consult with any organization, educational institution, or other government entity or person as will enable the task force to properly carry out its powers and duties pursuant to this act. The task force shall hold at least one public hearing in the state for the purpose of soliciting public comment on housing development.

§ 5. The task force may request and shall receive from any department, division, board, bureau, commission, or other agency of the state or any state public authority such assistance, information, and data as necessary to enable the task force to properly carry out its powers and duties pursuant to this act.

§ 6. The task force shall study and develop best practices for local governments within the state to incentivize housing development, including but not limited to:

(a) studying the effectiveness of tax incentives for housing;

(b) developing properties designed for homeowners whose income is less than 125% of the area median income; and

(c) analyzing state and local regulatory reform.

§ 7. The task force shall issue a report of its findings and legislative recommendations to the governor, the speaker of the assembly, the minority leader of the assembly, the temporary president of the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the largest advocacy group representing county governments in New York, and the largest advocacy group representing mayors in New York no later than one year after the effective date of this act.

§ 8. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be deemed repealed two years after it shall have become a law.