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Committee: Health and Human Services

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to create a
2 task force; to provide for a review and recommendations
3 regarding the use of certain drugs by wards of the state; to
4 provide a termination date; and to declare an emergency.
5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. (1) The Health and Human Services Committee of
2 the Legislature shall create a task force to examine state policy
3 regarding the prescription of psychotropic drugs for children who are
4 wards of the state and the administration of such drugs to such
5 children.

6 (2) The task force shall review the policy and procedures
7 for prescribing and administering such drugs and make recommendations
8 for changes in such policy and procedures.

9 (3) The task force shall consist of no more than twelve
10 members and may include lay, professional, organizational, and
11 governmental representatives in analyzing and developing a report
12 summarizing such recommendations.

13 (4) The committee staff shall serve as the staff for the
14 task force.

15 (5) The task force shall present a report to the
16 Legislature no later than January 1, 2008.

17 (6) This section terminates on January 1, 2008.

18 Sec. 2. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
19 when passed and approved according to law.