Governor’s Poverty Reduction Work Group Directive 17-13
Compared to
E3SHB 1482 Establishing the Legislative-Executive WorkFirst Poverty Reduction Oversight Task Force

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Blue font indicates different requirements.

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- Governor Inslee
- Established within the WorkFirst Task Force (Efforts of the Inter-agency work group should complement the responsibilities of the Task Force and examine poverty reduction through a broader lens beyond TANF and WorkFirst programs. The work group shall consider early learning education, post-secondary training and employment opportunities, increasing economic assets within families and communities, housing, health and well-being, and social capital, and focus on areas of the state with the greatest low income populations and slowest economic growth in poverty reduction.)

The Legislative-Executive WorkFirst Poverty Reduction Oversight Task Force (Task Force) shall include diverse, statewide representation, and its membership shall reflect regional, racial, and cultural diversity to adequately represent the needs of all families and children in the state.

Legislative-Executive WorkFirst Poverty Reduction Oversight Task Force

Governor’s Workgroup has a single Workgroup with a single 10 year comprehensive plan, reporting to the WF Task Force, charge with looking at specific areas beyond TANF and is charged with focusing on areas of the state with the greatest low income populations and slowest economic growth in poverty reduction; while HB 1482 has several levels of structure – which is more inclusive – Broadens the work of the Leg/Exec Task Force (Task Force) to include intergenerational poverty., broadens the membership to reflect regional, racial and cultural diversity -
Governance

- **Convened by Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS)**
- **Co-led by Commerce (COM) and Employment Security Department (ESD)**

| Secretary of DSHS convenes the first meeting. Task Force chooses its co-chairs – one legislative member and one agency member. The co-chairs of the advisory committee shall serve as nonvoting members of the task force |
| Intergenerational Poverty Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) is created to assist the task force. Must include diverse, statewide representation from public, nonprofit and for-profit entities. Committee membership much reflect regional, racial, and cultural diversity to adequately represent the needs of all children and families in the state. Members appointed by the Secretary of DSHS, with the approval of the task force. Each member of the Advisory Committee is appointed for a four year term unless a member is appointed to complete an unexpired term. The Secretary may adjust the length of term at the time of the appointment or reappointment so that approximately one-half of the advisory committee is appointed every two years. The Secretary may remove an advisory committee member, if a member is unwilling to carry out the assigned responsibilities, or for good cause. If a vacancy occurs for any reason, a replacement may be appointed for the unexpired term. The Advisory Committee shall choose co-chairs from among its members |

Gov. Workgroup had Agency leaders only

Task Force – One Leg Co-Chair and one Agency Co-Chair, and includes co-chairs of advisory committee, which could be members of the public, non-profit, or for-profit community members. (non-voting members)
The Secretary shall convene the initial meeting. The committee shall meet quarterly at the request of the task force or advisory committee co-chairs.

### Membership

**Legislative Members**
- Republican House Member
- Democratic House Member
- Republican Senate Member
- Democratic Senate Member

**Agency Members**
- DSHS
- ESD
- COM
- Health Care Authority (HCA)
- Workforce Training and Coordinating Board (WTCB)
- Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC)
- Department of Health (DOH)
- Dept. of Early Learning (DEL)
- Dept. of Corrections (DOC)
- State Board of Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC)

**Other Participants**
- Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)
- Attorney General (AGO)
- Insurance Commissioner (OIC)
- Also suggests employers, persons impacted by poverty, community advocates

**Community Stakeholders**
- No less than six stakeholders who represent those most affected by poverty, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, gender,
- Advocacy groups that focus on childhood poverty issues;

Governor appoints 8 members

DSHS
ESD
COM
DCYF
OSPI
SBCT
DOC
DOH

Workgroup make up is specified, but process for choosing members is not.

Task Force and Advisory Committee processes are specified (as to whether appointed by Governor, Legislature, or DSHS, and approved by Task Force)

Governor appoints 5 non-voting members from:
- Commission on African-American affairs
- State Commission on Hispanic affairs
- State Commission on Asian Pacific American affairs
- Governor’s Office of Indian Affairs; and Office of Financial Management
- Tribal governments;
- Families impacted by poverty;
- Local government representatives that address childhood poverty or education issues;
- The business community
- The subject matter expert in infant mental health

Other workgroup members are non-specified –

Task Force membership is Governor Appointed and specific

Advisory committee members are non-specified- and no limit on numbers -
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<td>Establish a measurable set of goals, informed by existing state-agency analysis or peer-reviewed literature, for poverty reduction based on data-driven strategies. These goals should address situational as well as intergenerational poverty.</td>
<td>The task force shall oversee the partner agencies’ operation of the WorkFirst program and TANF to ensure that the programs are achieving desired outcomes for their clients. Determine evidence-based outcome measures for the WF program, including measures related to equitably serving the needs of historically underrepresented populations, such as English language learners, immigrants, refugees, and other diverse communities; Develop accountability measures for WF recipients and the state agencies responsible for their progress towards self-sufficiency; Collaborate with the advisory committee to develop and monitor strategies to prevent and address adverse childhood experiences and reduce intergenerational poverty;</td>
<td>The advisory committee: • Makes recommendations to the task force on how the task force and state can effectively address the needs of children affected by intergenerational poverty and achieve the purposes and duties of the task force; • Ensures that the advisory committee’s recommendations to the task force are supported by verifiable data; and • Gathers input from diverse communities about the impact of intergenerational poverty on outcomes such as education, health care, employment, involvement in the child welfare system, and other related areas.</td>
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<td>Engage diverse stakeholder groups from service providers, community based organizations, legislators, the business community, Washingtonians experiencing poverty, and subject matter experts in the validation of these goals and the development of measures and strategies for the implementation of a poverty reduction plan.</td>
<td>The Workgroup’s objectives include establishing measurable goals for poverty reduction based on data-driven decisions.</td>
<td>The Task Force’s objectives include establishing evidence-based measures for the WorkFirst Program and WorkFirst recipients and the agencies that serve them for their progress towards self-sufficiency, and measures related to equitably services the needs of historically underrepresented populations (English Language learners, immigrants, refugees, and other diverse communities)</td>
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<td>Collaborate with partner agencies on the intersections of poverty reduction efforts. Where appropriate, recommend refinement to existing programs to achieve better results of shared objectives as they relate to poverty reduction.</td>
<td>The Workgroup’s objectives include collaborating with partner agencies on the intersection of poverty reduction efforts.</td>
<td>The Task Force’s objectives include collaborating with the Advisory committee on strategies to prevent and address early childhood experiences and reduce intergenerational poverty.</td>
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### Report Requirement

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<th><strong>Develop by September 2018</strong></th>
<th><strong>Report by December 2019</strong></th>
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<td><strong>The task force shall direct DSHS to develop a 5 year plan to reduce intergenerational poverty and promote self-sufficiency, subject to oversight and approval by the task force. Upon approval by the task force, DSHS must submit the plan to the Governor and appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2019.</strong></td>
<td><strong>The task force shall review the plan by December 1, 2024 and shall direct DSHS to update the plan as necessary.</strong></td>
<td><strong>Task Force plan is 5 year plan to reduce intergenerational poverty and promote self-sufficiency, subject to the oversight and approval WorkFirst Task Force, then must be submitted as a leg report by December 1, 2019.</strong></td>
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Seek input on best practices for poverty reduction from service providers, CBOs, legislators, state agencies, stakeholders, the business community, and subject matter experts;

Collaborate with partner agencies and the advisory committee to analyze available data and information regarding intergenerational poverty in the state, with a primary focus on data and information regarding children who are at risk of continuing the cycle of poverty and welfare dependency unless outside intervention occurs; and

Recommend policy actions to the Governor and the legislature to effective reduce intergenerational poverty and promote and encourage self-sufficiency

The Task Force has more of a focus on intergenerational poverty and children who are at risk of continuing the cycle of poverty and welfare dependence without outside intervention.

The Task Force is to recommend policy actions to the Governor and Legislator to reduce intergenerational poverty and promote “self-sufficiency”
| agencies, as well as the executive and legislative branches regarding program improvements to further these efforts. | The partner agencies must provide the task force with regular reports on progress toward meeting the outcome and performance measures on:
- Caseload trends and program expenditures, and the impact of those trends and expenditures on client services, including services to underrepresented populations
- Characteristics of families who have been unsuccessful on TANF and have lost their benefits due to sanction or the 60-month time-limits | Task Force also requires partner agencies provide Task force with regular updates on caseload trends, expenditures, and impacts on underrepresented populations; characteristics of families who have been unsuccessful on TANF, and those who have lost benefits due to 60-month time limit or sanctions | program improvements to further efforts. No further work identified.

Task Force requires a review of the 5 year plan by December 1, 2024, and period updates by DSHS as directed by the Task Force. |