

**TITLE 4: ECONOMIC RESOURCES**  
**DIVISION 5: BUSINESS REGULATION**

**§ 5662. Responsibilities and Authority of Task Force.**

The responsibilities and authority of the Task Force shall be to:

(a) Prepare, through the expertise and analysis of the Task Force's members, a comprehensive plan with the goal of providing a timely, responsive and responsible "One-Stop Business License Application Center." In preparing such a plan, the Task Force shall:

(i) Obtain from each agency involved in giving approvals or clearances for the issuance of business licenses a copy of the law, rule, regulation, Executive Order, or authority, if any, requiring such approval or clearance; and

(ii) Undertake analysis of the procedures carried out by each agency separately, and by the agencies as a whole, in obtaining approval or clearance for the issuance of a business license, with the aim of simplifying the procedure and making the approval or clearance issued by agencies relevant, necessary and sufficient for the particular license being issued, as well as accelerating the process for obtaining either approval or rejection of applications for business licenses; and

(iii) Hold one or more public hearings on the subject of obtaining business licenses to gather input from the community for improving the process; and

(iv) Fully consider electronic licensing processing vis-a-vis a licensing website.

(b) To make detailed recommendations to the Governor and to the Legislature, including minority dissenting opinions, if any, regarding any changes, deletions, or additions to the current application process which would make the decision making process timely, responsive, and responsible;

(c) To deliver to the Governor and Legislature within ninety days of the enactment of this Act, both an oral presentation and written report detailing the plan and recommendations provided for in this section. The report shall include the steps necessary to facilitate the expedited application process, which shall be implemented within thirty days of approval by the Legislature by statute of the recommendations in the Task Force's report.

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