

By: Representatives Eure, Felsher

To: Gaming; Appropriations

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 606

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE MOBILE-ONLINE BETTING TASK FORCE; TO
2 PROVIDE THE PURPOSES OF THE TASK FORCE; TO DESIGNATE THE
3 CHAIRPERSON AND CO-CHAIRPERSON OF THE TASK FORCE; TO PROVIDE FOR
4 THE APPOINTED MEMBERS TO THE TASK FORCE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 **SECTION 1.** (1) There is hereby created the Mobile-Online
7 Betting Task Force to undertake a comprehensive analysis of all
8 matters related to legalizing online betting, online gaming and/or
9 online wagering for a fee within this state and to recommend the
10 proper oversight and regulation of the online betting, online
11 gaming and/or online wagering with a fee. The task force shall be
12 chaired by the House Gaming Committee Chairperson and co-chaired
13 by the Senate Gaming Committee Chairperson and shall be composed
14 of a total of eleven (11) members, with nine (9) members to be
15 appointed as follows:

16 (a) The Executive Director of the Mississippi Gaming
17 Commission or a designee;

18 (b) The Commissioner of the Department of Revenue or a
19 designee;



20 (c) The Executive Director of the Mississippi Gaming
21 and Hospitality Association or a designee;

22 (d) Three (3) members appointed by the Chairperson of
23 the Senate Gaming Committee; and

24 (e) Three (3) members appointed by the Chairperson of
25 the House of Representatives Gaming Committee.

26 (2) The members of the task force shall be appointed within
27 thirty (30) days of the effective date of this act. Any vacancy
28 in the task force shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled
29 as prescribed in subsection (1). The task force shall hold its
30 first meeting within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this
31 act, on the call of the Chairman of the task force. A majority of
32 the membership of the task force shall constitute a quorum, and
33 shall meet at the call of the Chairman, or upon an affirmative
34 vote of a majority of the task force. All members must be
35 notified in writing of all meetings at least five (5) days before
36 the date on which a meeting of the task force is scheduled.

37 (3) The members of the task force shall serve without
38 compensation.

39 (4) The task force shall prepare and submit a final report
40 that contains a detailed statement of findings, conclusions and
41 recommendations of the task force to the Legislature by October
42 15, 2023. The report shall be made available to the public.

43 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
44 and after July 1, 2023.

