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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: SB 239

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 4, 2003

BILL AMENDED: Feb 27, 2003

SUBJECT: Stroke Prevention Task Force.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Lawson C

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Welch

BILL STATUS: As Passed - Senate

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill establishes the Stroke Prevention Task Force to develop stroke prevention initiatives. The bill requires the Task Force to annually submit a report to the Governor, the Commissioner of the State Department of Health, and the Legislative Council. The bill provides for the expiration of the Task Force on June 30, 2007.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill establishes an 11-member Stroke Prevention Task Force consisting of nine lay members and two state employees. The State Department of Health is to provide staff for the Task Force. Members are not entitled to the minimum salary per diem or other expenses. The bill requires the Task Force to meet quarterly.

Background Information: The Task Force is charged with the following duties: (1) develop and implement a comprehensive statewide public education program on stroke prevention, targeted to high risk populations and geographic areas with a high stroke incidence rate; (2) recommend and disseminate guidelines on the treatment of stroke patients including emergency stroke care; (3) ensure that public providers are informed regarding the most effective strategies for stroke prevention; (4) advise the State Department of Health on public and private grant opportunities for providers of emergency medical services and hospitals for the purpose of improving care to stroke patients; and (5) prepare an annual report on the operations of the task force and provide the report to the Governor, the Commissioner of the Department of Health, and the Legislative Council.

The Task Force expires June 30, 2007.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: State Department of Health, Family and Social Services Administration.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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