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Amend the resolve in section 7 in the last line (page 2, line 15 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "report." and inserting the following: 'report; and be it further'

Amend the resolve by inserting after section 7 the following:

'Sec. 8 Funding. Resolved: That the operations of the task force are contingent upon receipt of outside funding to fund all costs of the task force. Private financial or in-kind contributions to support the work of the task force may not be accepted from any party having a pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the study. Any person, other than a state agency, authorized and desiring to make a financial or in-kind contribution must certify to the Legislative Council that it has no pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome of the study. All such contributions are subject to the approval of the Legislative Council. All accepted contributions must be forwarded to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council along with an accounting record that includes the amount of contributions, the date the contributions were received, from whom the contributions were received and the purpose of and any limitation on the use of those contributions. The Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall administer the contributions and shall notify the chairs of the task force when those contributions have been received. If funding has not been received within 30 days after the effective date of this resolve, then no meetings of the task force are authorized and no study-related expenses of any kind may be incurred or reimbursed; and be it further

Sec. 9 Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

LEGISLATURE

Study Commissions - Funding 0444

Initiative: Allocates funds for the costs to the Legislature of the Task Force on Kinship Families in the event that outside funding is received.

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2009-10	2010-11
Personal Services	\$1,540	\$0
All Other	\$2,950	\$0
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$4,490	\$0

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SUMMARY

This amendment requires the task force to obtain outside funding to fund all costs associated with the task force. Outside funding must be approved by the Legislative Council and is to be administered

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by the Executive Director of the Legislative Council. This amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)