

## House Resolution 1535 (RULES COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the State Health Benefit Plan Design Team; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State Health Benefit Plan is a self-insured health benefit product, insuring  
3 eligible employees and retirees of state agencies, authorities, and boards of education and  
4 other educational entities, administered by a third-party administrator; and
- 5 WHEREAS, with the cost of health claims rising significantly each year, there is a need to  
6 improve the benefits provided, streamline the provision of services, enhance the overall  
7 efficiency of the system, and find new and innovative ways to contain such costs; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a plan design team can review and determine areas where rising costs can be  
9 contained and determine a more cost-effective plan design to better meet the needs of  
10 covered employees, retirees, their spouses and dependents, and the state.
- 11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
12 there is created the State Health Benefit Plan Design Team to be composed of seven  
13 members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker shall  
14 appoint a chairperson. The committee shall meet not more than five days unless additional  
15 days are authorized by the Speaker. All funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this  
16 resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the House of Representatives. The State  
17 Health Benefit Plan Design Team shall stand abolished on December 31, 2006.