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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING EMPLOYEE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Human trafficking employee education study  
3 committee; membership; duties; report; delayed  
4 repeal

5 A. The human trafficking employee education study committee is  
6 established and consists of the following members:

7 1. Two members of the house of representatives who are appointed by  
8 the speaker of the house of representatives and who are from different  
9 political parties.

10 2. Two members of the senate who are appointed by the president of  
11 the senate and who are from different political parties.

12 3. One member from the governor's council to combat human  
13 trafficking in Arizona who is appointed by the governor.

14 4. The attorney general or the attorney general's designee.

15 5. The director of the department of public safety or the  
16 director's designee.

17 6. The director of the department of emergency and military affairs  
18 or the director's designee.

19 7. One member who is from a chamber of commerce of a county with a  
20 population of more than four million persons and who is appointed by the  
21 governor.

22 8. One member who is from a chamber of commerce of a county with  
23 more than one million persons but less than four million persons and who  
24 is appointed by the governor.

25 9. One member who is from the greater Phoenix economic council and  
26 who is appointed by the governor.

27 10. One member who is from the office of sex trafficking  
28 intervention research at Arizona state university and who is appointed by  
29 the governor.

30 11. One member who is currently employed in academia, who holds a  
31 doctorate degree, who conducts research on human trafficking or  
32 identifying victims of human trafficking and who is appointed by the  
33 governor.

34 12. One member who has practical experience with human trafficking  
35 and who is appointed by the governor.

36 13. One member who is a licensed health care provider in this  
37 state, who has experience treating victims of human trafficking and who is  
38 appointed by the governor.

39 14. One member who is a licensed social worker, who works in a  
40 middle or high school and who is appointed by the governor.

41 15. One member who is a certified peace officer with experience in  
42 human trafficking and who is appointed by the governor.

43 16. One member who is from a tribal community.

44 B. The members of the board shall elect a chairperson and vice  
45 chairperson.

- 1           C. The house of representatives shall provide the committee with  
2 administrative support.
- 3           D. The members of the committee are eligible to receive  
4 reimbursement of expenses pursuant to title 38, chapter 4, article 2,  
5 Arizona Revised Statutes.
- 6           E. The study committee shall:
- 7           1. Meet a minimum of two times or more frequently at the request of  
8 the chairperson or vice chairperson.
- 9           2. Evaluate options and methods of training retail and lodging  
10 business employees on how to identify and respond to possible victims of  
11 human trafficking in both urban and rural areas.
- 12           F. On or before June 30, 2028, the committee shall submit a report  
13 regarding the committee's activities and recommendations for educating  
14 retail and lodging businesses about human trafficking to the governor, the  
15 president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives  
16 and shall provide a copy of the report to the secretary of state.
- 17           G. This section is repealed from and after December 31, 2028.