

EMPLOYEE TRUST FUNDS

Private Employer Health Care Coverage Program
[Paper #310]

Motion:

Move to adopt alternative A3 in LFB Paper #310.

In addition, direct the Senate Majority Leader and the Speaker of the Assembly to establish a task force and appoint the members of the task force to review the private employer health care coverage program and recommend statutory changes for the program. Require the task force to submit proposed statutory changes to the Legislature by January 1, 2004.

Note:

Alternative A3 in LFB Paper #310 would modify the Governor's recommendation by reducing funding for the private employer health care coverage program by \$105,400 GPR in 2003-04 to reflect an estimated January 1, 2004, start date for the positions if statutory changes are made to the program in the future. Alternative A3 would also place the funding that would be provided to DETF, \$105,500 GPR in 2003-04 and \$210,900 GPR in 2004-05, in the Committee's program supplements appropriation, which would be available to support staff costs once statutory changes are made to the program.

In addition, this motion would establish a task force to review the private employer health care coverage program and recommend statutory changes. The task force's recommendations would be submitted to the Legislature by January 1, 2004. The Senate Majority Leader and the Speaker of the Assembly would establish the task force and appoint its members.

[Change to Bill: -\$105,400 GPR]