

General Law Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-7179

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE OPERATIONS OF

Title: THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION.

Vote Date: 3/21/2025

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 3/19/2025

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

General Law Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

While this legislation would establish a task force to study the operations of the Department of Consumer Protection, the General Law Committee raised it with the intent of it functioning as a placeholder for any issues that may arise during the 2025 legislative session.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

[Lou Rinaldi](#) submitted written testimony in support of HB 7179. He urges the committee to examine data from the Auditors of Public Accounts regarding their ongoing audit of the Department of Consumer Protection.

[Josiah Schlee](#) submitted written testimony in support of HB 7179 that requests that the committee engage in extensive investigation of the Department of Consumer Protection. He urges the committee to "expand this bill's scope to include criminal investigations, financial penalties, and the complete dismantling of unconstitutional enforcement powers within the DCP."

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed.

Reported by: Betsy Francolino

Date: 3/22/2025