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## BILL ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 483 (Substitute S-1 as reported)  
Sponsor: Senator Rosemary Bayer  
Committee: Health Policy

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Part 22 (State Department of Public Health) of the Public Health Code to do the following:

- Create the Palliative Care Advisory Task Force (Task Force) in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and prescribe its membership and duties, including developing metrics to measure palliative care in Michigan and recommending ways to expand that care.
- By January 1, 2028, and annually after, require the Task Force to create and make publicly available a report that identified the palliative care services available in the State and any palliative care services that were not offered but would provide a benefit.

Proposed MCL 333.2220

### **BRIEF RATIONALE**

Palliative care refers to the practice of medicine focused on improving the quality of life for people with serious illnesses and their care partners. It helps people recover from illness, manage chronic conditions, and live with dignity and comfort. According to testimony before the Senate Committee on Health Policy, Michigan needs a better system for people who require palliative care. Establishing the Task Force would allow experts to propose solutions to improve Michigan's palliative care system.

### **PREVIOUS LEGISLATION**

*(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of previous legislative efforts on this subject matter.)*

The bill is a reintroduction of Senate Bill 1180 from the 2023-2024 Legislative Session.

Legislative Analyst: Alex Krabill

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have a minor negative fiscal impact on the DHHS because the DHHS would incur the costs for staff or support provided to the Task Force. Members of the Task Force would not be entitled to compensation; however, they could be reimbursed for necessary travel and expenses consistent with current law, rules, and procedures subject to available funding. The typical annual costs to support a task force can range from \$10,000 to \$200,000 depending on travel expenses and staff demands. It is likely that these costs could be absorbed within existing departmental appropriations.

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