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JOB TASK FORCE

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to establish a Job Task Force under the control of the Prime Minister, and for related purposes

5 **1. Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the Job Task Force Act 1981.

2. Interpretation—In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

10 “Minister”, means the Prime Minister;
“Secretary”, means an officer of the Department of Labour appointed by the Secretary of Labour as the secretary of the Task Force;
“Task Force”, means the Job Task Force established under section 3 of this Act.

15 **3. Job Task Force established**—(1) There is hereby established a committee, to be known as the Job Task Force, which shall consist of—

20 (a) One person, appointed by the Minister, who shall be the Chairman and, in default of such appointment being made, or if for any reason the Chairman is absent, the Secretary of Labour shall chair any meeting of the Task Force;

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- (b) One person appointed by the Federation of Labour;
 - (c) One person appointed by the New Zealand Employers' Federation;
 - (d) One person appointed by the Minister of Education to represent secondary and tertiary education interests; 5
 - (e) One person appointed by the Minister of Local Government after consultation with any organisation representing local authorities;
 - (f) One person appointed by the Minister of Maori Affairs after consultation with the New Zealand Maori Council; 10
 - (g) The Secretary of Labour;
 - (h) The Director-General of Education;
 - (i) The Director-General of Social Welfare.
- (2) Every member of the Task Force shall hold office for a term of 5 years and may from time to time be reappointed. 15
- (3) Any person who is, or who is appointed as, a member of the Task Force under subsection (1) of this section may appoint, by writing addressed to the Secretary of the Task Force, a deputy who may attend meetings in his stead and such appointment shall enure until it is terminated in the same manner as the appointment was made. 20

4. Powers and functions of Task Force—(1) The functions of the Task Force shall be—

- (a) To supervise any employment service maintained and operated by, or on behalf of, the Department of Labour; 25
 - (b) To enlist the co-operation of and, to the extent possible, co-ordinate the activities of any organisation or body or person engaged in job-creation, retraining, and similar pursuits; 30
 - (c) To advise the Minister about job-creation schemes and targets in and for New Zealand or any part or parts of New Zealand or in any industry or occupation;
 - (d) To collect, maintain and disseminate at regular intervals any information at its disposal relating to unemployment; 35
 - (e) With the consent of the Minister, to commission research projects, out of money appropriated by Parliament for the purpose, relating to any aspect of job-creation or unemployment. 40
- (3) The Task Force shall have such powers as are necessary or incidental to the performance of its functions.

5. Expenses—The Task Force is hereby declared to be a statutory body within the meaning, and for the purposes, of the Fees and Travelling Allowances Act 1951.

6. Administration—Administrative services for the Task Force shall be provided by the Department of Labour.