Proposed law provides for the COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force in the office of the governor to address health equity in Louisiana, serve as a foundation and resource for addressing health care disparities in vulnerable populations, and contribute to the progression and improvement of Louisiana's health care rankings.

Proposed law provides that members of the task force shall be selected by the governor. Further provides that members shall be representatives assigned from relevant and interested state agencies and other parties.

Proposed law provides for the duties of the task force. Further provides that the task force may establish subcommittees to assist in carrying out its duties.

Proposed law provides that task force members shall serve without compensation and limits the source of funding for the task force to any public or private donations, gifts, or grants from individuals, corporations, nonprofit organizations, or other entities and any other monies which may be provided by law. Further provides that task force funding shall be used only to comply with the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law provides that the task force shall continually review the provisions of proposed law for the purposes of determining whether revisions and updates are needed and make recommendations to the legislature for any necessary legislation. Further provides that the task force shall submit a report to the legislature triennially or more frequently as considered necessary by the task force.

Proposed law shall terminate on December 31, 2030.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 36:4(W) and R.S. 40:1263)