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#### **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

The bill creates a task force on native pollinator health to do the following:

- a. study public education and outreach programs regarding pollinator health that have been successful in other states;
- b. evaluate the effectiveness of pesticide applicator licensing and other legal requirements and incentives in improving pollinator health;
- c. identify possible funding streams for efforts to promote or protect pollinator health;
- d. investigate the methods other states have used to gather data on populations of bees or other pollinating insects:
- e. study the impact of pesticides on declining pollinator populations; and
- f. examine any other issues that the task force determines are relevant to pollinator health.

The bill also requires the secretary of natural resources to appoint the following individuals to serve as voting members of the task force:

- a. a representative of an advocacy group dedicated to environmental protection;
- b. a representative of an advocacy group dedicated to the protection of pollinators and invertebrates;
- c. a representative of the public who is a beekeeper; and
- d. a DNR representative.

Lastly, the bill requires the task force to report its findings and any recommendations to the legislature no later than December 31, 2020.

#### Fiscal Effect

The Department would incur indeterminate, one-time costs to recruit and appoint members of the task force, attend task force meetings, and contribute to the preparation of the final legislative report.

### **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**