

H.96 Truth and Reconciliation Task Force

Redraft

Goal: To incorporate information learned over the last several weeks from stakeholders and outside resources in a way that creates an autonomous task force that will endeavor to facilitate the appropriate commissions.

Outcome: None of this work will be done without the input of the affected stakeholders. No work will be released until the stakeholders are satisfied with the results.

- Enabling Legislation
 - A. Creates the original structure
 - B. Enables structure to create inner workings (see below), incl subpoena power
 - C. Creation of Individual Commissions
 - D. Timeline
 - E. Funding (both state and outside sources)
- Structure
 - A. Stakeholders convene and choose representatives to form a Selection Committee
 - B. Selection Committee convenes and hires Commissioners
 - a) Commissioners oversee balance, accessibility, communication betw. stakeholders and maintain communication with “outside world”.
 - b) Commissioners develop by-laws and rules for processes
 - c) Selection Committee and Stakeholders become Board(s) of Advisors for their respective commissions.
 - C. Commissioners hire Director and Staff
 - D. Staff includes administrative/legal and historians/researchers, who work with Board of Advisors
- Actions
 - A. Director oversees research, public events, planning, writing, etc. Director consults with Board of Advisors for each individual commission to encourage and ensure that the process is open, inclusive and meaningful. Director maintains relationships with Boards in order to determine depth of research, needs of individual stakeholders, and access to process.
 - B. Researchers gather existing materials, plan and execute necessary public hearings, conduct interviews and draft reports
 - C. Director and researchers will consult with Boards to ensure reports are representative of needs for each disparate stakeholder group.
 - D. Reports may represent history, grievances, truths and desires for reparations.
 - E. Reports shall be presented in a public forum, either as a session of legislature or other appropriate venue
- Questions
 - Compensation (esp. Board of Advisors)
 - Length
 - Commitment to Reparations
 - Titles
 - Home for commission? Totally independent?