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A bill to be entitled
 An act relating to the Urban Core Gun Violence Task
 Force; creating the Urban Core Gun Violence Task
 Force; providing for membership; providing for staff
 support; providing requirements for meetings;
 specifying duties and powers of the task force;
 authorizing the task force to seek assistance from
 state agencies; providing for access to certain
 information; requiring reports; providing for repeal
 of the task force; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Urban Core Gun Violence Task Force.—

(1) There is created within the Department of Law
 Enforcement the Urban Core Gun Violence Task Force, a task force
 as defined in s. 20.03, Florida Statutes.

(2) (a) The task force shall convene no later than
 September 1, 2020, and shall be composed of 10 members. Two
 members shall be appointed by the President of the Senate, two
 members shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate,
 two members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of
 Representatives, two members shall be appointed by the Minority
 Leader of the House of Representatives, and two members shall be
 appointed by the Governor. From the members of the task force,

26 | the Governor shall appoint the chair. Appointments must be made
27 | by August 1, 2020. Members shall serve at the pleasure of the
28 | officer who appointed the member. A vacancy on the task force
29 | shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.
30 | At least five of the task force members shall be women and at
31 | least six of the task force members shall be members of racial
32 | minority groups.

33 | (b) The General Counsel of the Department of Law
34 | Enforcement shall serve as the general counsel for the task
35 | force.

36 | (c) The chair shall assign staff from the Department of
37 | Law Enforcement and the Department of Juvenile Justice to assist
38 | the task force in performing its duties.

39 | (d) The task force shall meet on a quarterly basis or as
40 | necessary to conduct its work at the call of the chair and at a
41 | time designated by him or her at a location in the state. The
42 | task force may not conduct its meetings through teleconferences
43 | or other similar means.

44 | (e) Members of the task force are entitled to receive
45 | reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses pursuant to s.
46 | 112.061, Florida Statutes.

47 | (3) The task force shall investigate system failures and
48 | the causes of high crime and gun violence incidents in urban
49 | core communities and neighborhoods. In addition, the task force
50 | shall develop recommendations for solutions, programs, services,

51 and strategies for improved interagency communications between
52 local and state government agencies that will help facilitate
53 the reduction of crime and gun violence in urban core
54 neighborhoods and communities.

55 (4) The task force has the power to investigate. The task
56 force may delegate to its investigators the authority to
57 administer oaths and affirmations.

58 (5) The task force may call upon appropriate state
59 government agencies for such professional assistance as may be
60 needed in the discharge of its duties, and such agencies shall
61 provide such assistance in a timely manner.

62 (6) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the
63 task force may request and shall be provided with access to any
64 information or records that pertain to crime and gun violence
65 incidents in this state's urban core neighborhoods and
66 communities. Information or records obtained by the task force
67 that are otherwise exempt or confidential and exempt shall
68 retain such exempt or confidential and exempt status, and the
69 task force may not disclose any such information or records.

70 (7) The task force shall submit an initial report on its
71 findings and recommendations to the Governor, the President of
72 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
73 January 1, 2021, and may issue reports annually thereafter.

74 (8) This section is repealed on December 31, 2025.

75 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.