

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to state advisory bodies; creating the
 3 Local Government Efficiency Task Force within the
 4 Legislature; providing for duties, membership, and
 5 meetings of the task force; requiring the task force
 6 to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by
 7 a date certain; providing for expiration of the task
 8 force; creating the Urban Core Crime and Violence Task
 9 Force within the Department of Law Enforcement;
 10 providing for duties, membership, and meetings of the
 11 task force; requiring state agencies to provide
 12 assistance when requested; authorizing the task force
 13 to receive exempt or confidential and exempt
 14 information and specifying that the information
 15 maintains such status; requiring the task force to
 16 submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a
 17 date certain; providing for expiration of the task
 18 force; providing an effective date.

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

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 22 Section 1. Local Government Efficiency Task Force.—
 23 (1) The Local Government Efficiency Task Force, a task
 24 force as defined in s. 20.03, Florida Statutes, is established
 25 within the Legislature.

26 (2) (a) The task force shall consist of six members with
 27 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of
 28 the House of Representatives each appointing two members.
 29 Members must be appointed no later than September 1, 2020.

30 (b) A vacancy on the task force shall be filled in the
 31 same manner as the original appointment for the unexpired term.

32 (c) The task force shall elect a chair from among its
 33 members.

34 (3) Members of the task force shall serve without
 35 compensation, but are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and
 36 travel expenses pursuant to s. 112.061, Florida Statutes. The
 37 task force shall convene its first meeting by November 15, 2020,
 38 and shall meet as often as necessary to fulfill its
 39 responsibilities under this section. Meetings may be conducted
 40 in person, by teleconference, or by other electronic means.

41 (4) The task force shall review the governance structure
 42 and function of local governments and whether any changes are
 43 necessary to make such governments more efficient.

44 (5) The task force shall submit a report to the Governor,
 45 the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
 46 Representatives by June 1, 2022.

47 (6) This section expires June 30, 2022.

48 Section 2. Urban Core Crime and Violence Task Force.-

49 (1) The Urban Core Crime and Violence Task Force, a task
 50 force as defined in s. 20.03, Florida Statutes, is created

51 within the Department of Law Enforcement. Except as otherwise
52 provided in this section, the task force shall comply with the
53 requirements of s. 20.052, Florida Statutes.

54 (2) (a) The task force shall consist of nine members with
55 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of
56 the House of Representatives each appointing three members.
57 Members must be appointed no later than August 1, 2020. Members
58 serve at the pleasure of the officer who appointed them and a
59 vacancy on the task force must be filled in the same manner as
60 the original appointment. Members of the task force shall serve
61 without compensation, but are entitled to reimbursement for per
62 diem and travel expenses pursuant to s. 112.061, Florida
63 Statutes.

64 (b) The Governor shall appoint a chair from among the
65 members.

66 (c) The task force shall meet at the call of the chair at
67 a time and location in the state designated by the chair. The
68 task force may not conduct its meetings by teleconference or
69 other electronic means.

70 (3) The task force shall review system failures and the
71 causes of high crime rates and violence in urban core
72 neighborhoods and communities. In addition, the task force shall
73 develop recommendations for solutions, programs, services, and
74 strategies for improved interagency communications between local
75 and state governmental agencies to help facilitate the reduction

76 of crime and violence in urban core neighborhoods and
77 communities.

78 (4) The Department of Law Enforcement shall provide
79 staffing and administrative assistance to the task force in
80 performing its duties. The task force may call upon other state
81 agencies for such professional assistance as may be needed in
82 the discharge of its duties, and such agencies shall provide
83 such assistance in a timely manner.

84 (5) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the
85 task force may request and shall be provided with access to any
86 information or records that pertain to crime or violent
87 incidents in the state's urban core neighborhoods and
88 communities. Information or records obtained by the task force
89 which are otherwise exempt or confidential and exempt shall
90 retain such exempt or confidential and exempt status, and the
91 task force may not disclose any such information or records.

92 (6) The task force shall submit a report on its findings
93 and recommendations to the Governor, the President of the
94 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by June
95 1, 2021.

96 (7) This section expires June 30, 2021.

97 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.