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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Jones moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 2430 and 2431

insert:

Section 43. Community Violence Task Force.—

(1) The Community Violence Task Force, a task force as defined in s. 20.03(8), Florida Statutes, is created within the Department of Law Enforcement. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the task force shall comply with the requirements of s. 20.052, Florida Statutes.

(2) (a) The task force is composed of 15 members as follows:



12 1. Four members appointed by the Governor, one of whom the
13 Governor shall designate as the chair of the task force.

14 2. Four members appointed by the President of the Senate,
15 two of whom must be members of the Legislative Black Caucus of
16 the Senate.

17 3. Four members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
18 Representatives, two of whom must be members of the Legislative
19 Black Caucus of the House of Representatives.

20 4. A representative from the Florida Sheriffs Association,
21 nominated by the executive director and appointed by the
22 Governor.

23 5. A representative from the Florida Police Chiefs
24 Association, nominated by the executive director and appointed
25 by the Governor.

26 6. The Secretary of Children and Families, or his or her
27 designee.

28 (b) Members must be appointed no later than August 1, 2023.
29 Members serve at the pleasure of the officer who appointed them,
30 and a vacancy on the task force must be filled in the same
31 manner as the original appointment. Members of the task force
32 shall serve without compensation but are entitled to
33 reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses pursuant to s.
34 112.061, Florida Statutes.

35 (c) The task force shall meet upon the call of the chair at
36 a time and location in this state designated by the chair. The
37 task force may not conduct its meetings by teleconference or
38 other electronic means.

39 (3) The task force shall review system failures and the
40 causes of high crime rates and violence in urban core



41 neighborhoods and communities. In addition, the task force shall
42 develop recommendations for solutions, programs, services, and
43 strategies for improved interagency communication between local
44 and state governmental agencies to help facilitate the reduction
45 of crime and violence in urban core neighborhoods and
46 communities.

47 (4) The Department of Law Enforcement shall provide
48 staffing and administrative assistance to the task force in
49 performing its duties. The task force may call upon other state
50 agencies for such professional assistance as may be needed in
51 the discharge of its duties, and such agencies shall provide
52 such assistance in a timely manner.

53 (5) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the task
54 force may request and must be provided access to any information
55 or records that pertain to crime or violent incidents in this
56 state's urban core neighborhoods and communities. Information or
57 records obtained by the task force which are otherwise exempt or
58 confidential and exempt must retain such exempt or confidential
59 and exempt status, and the task force may not disclose any such
60 information or records.

61 (6) The task force shall submit a report on its findings
62 and recommendations to the Governor, the President of the
63 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by June
64 1, 2025.

65 (7) This section expires June 30, 2025.

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68 And the title is amended as follows:

69 Delete line 124



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70 and insert:
71 providing appropriations; creating the Community
72 Violence Task Force within the Department of Law
73 Enforcement; providing for membership, duties, and
74 meetings of the task force; requiring state agencies
75 to provide assistance when requested; authorizing the
76 task force to receive exempt or confidential and
77 exempt information and specifying that the information
78 maintains such status; requiring the task force to
79 submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a
80 specified date; providing for expiration of the task
81 force; providing effective dates.