



26 Public Safety in Urban and Inner-City Communities at which  
27 exempt or confidential and exempt information is discussed be  
28 made exempt from s. 286.011, Florida Statutes, and s. 24(b),  
29 Article I of the State Constitution. The purpose of the task  
30 force is to investigate system failures and the causes and  
31 reasons for high crime and gun violence incidents in urban and  
32 inner-city neighborhoods and communities and to develop  
33 recommendations for system improvements. In order to fulfill its  
34 directive, the task force must be able to discuss exempt or  
35 confidential and exempt information that it receives as part of  
36 its investigation. The public meetings exemption will allow the  
37 task force to review and discuss exempt or confidential and  
38 exempt information that will be useful in forming meaningful  
39 recommendations for system improvements. As such, it is a  
40 necessity that those portions of meetings at which exempt or  
41 confidential and exempt information is discussed be made exempt  
42 from public meetings requirements. If such portions of those  
43 meetings are not closed, the public records exemption would be  
44 negated. Thus, the Legislature finds that the public meetings  
45 exemption is a public necessity in order to ensure the effective  
46 and efficient administration of the Task Force on Public Safety  
47 in Urban and Inner-City Communities.

48 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date  
49 that HB 573 or similar legislation takes effect, if such  
50 legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an

HB 575

2024

51 | extension thereof and becomes a law.