

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Continues the La. Law Enforcement Body Camera Implementation Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the requirements for implementation and development of best procedures for the use of body cameras and rules for access to and use of body camera recordings by law enforcement agencies in this state.

Provides that task force consist of 13 members as follows:

- (1) The chair of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.
- (2) The chair of the House Committee on Judiciary.
- (3) The chair of the Senate Committee on Judiciary C.
- (4) The chair of the Senate Committee on Judiciary B.
- (5) The executive director of the Louisiana Sheriff's Association, or his designee.
- (6) The president of the Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police, or his designee.
- (7) The president of the Louisiana Fraternal Order of Police, or his designee.
- (8) Two people appointed by Senate president.
- (9) Two people appointed by House speaker.
- (10) The president of the La. Association of Broadcasters, or his designee.
- (11) The president of the La. Press Association, or his designee.

Provides that appointments to the task force made pursuant to HCR 180 of 2015 shall continue to serve on the task force, except as provided herein.

Chair is to call a meeting of the task force no later than October 1, 2017. The task force shall be entitled to call its assistance and avail itself of the services of the employees of any state or municipal department, agency, or board as it may require and as may be available to it for its purposes.

Requires that the task force meet no less than two times.

Requires a final report to the governor, the Senate president, the House speaker, the chair of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice, the chair of the House Committee on Judiciary, the chair of the Senate Committee on Judiciary B, the chair of the Senate Committee on Judiciary C, and the chief justice of the La. Supreme Court not later than 60 days prior to the 2018 Regular Session and shall include but not be limited to those relative to the following:

- (1) General guidelines for the proper use, maintenance, and storage of body cameras, which shall include recommendations on procedures for when the body camera shall be in recording mode.
- (2) Any limitations on the situations in which peace officers are permitted to wear body cameras.
- (3) General guidelines for the proper storage, retention, and release of audio and video data recorded by body cameras.
- (4) General guidelines regarding the law enforcement training relative to each law enforcement agency's policies and procedures on the use of body cameras.

- (5) Legislation needed, if any, to authorize the use of body cameras by peace officers in this state.

Task force shall be abolished upon submission of the report.