



1 enforcement agencies provide approximately ninety percent of all automobile-related law  
2 enforcement services to the public; and

3 WHEREAS, local law enforcement agencies face unique challenges in terms of  
4 safety training due to limited funding and a limited pool of qualified candidates willing to  
5 serve; and

6 WHEREAS, the legislature recognizes that the vast majority of law enforcement  
7 officers are committed to working diligently to keep our roadways safe; and

8 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the public to find ways to increase safety  
9 training and enhance protocols for law enforcement officers involved in high speed vehicle  
10 pursuits in order to limit injuries and deaths of both officers and innocent people who were  
11 not involved in the high speed pursuit.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
13 establish and provide for the Task Force on Safety for Law Enforcement Officers Involved  
14 in High Speed Vehicle Pursuits to study and review police officer training and protocols for  
15 safety when the officer is involved in a high speed vehicle pursuit.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the task force, if it deems it necessary or  
17 appropriate, may make recommendations or propose legislation or both, by written report  
18 to the legislature and to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library as required by  
19 R.S. 24:771 and 772, no later than February 15, 2024.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force should include consideration of  
21 available low cost or no cost training for local law enforcement agencies, available sources  
22 of funds to assist local law enforcement agencies with the costs of providing necessary  
23 training and effective protocols, possible enhancement of criminal penalties for perpetrators  
24 who instigate high speed vehicle pursuits with law enforcement, and such other related  
25 topics as is determined relevant by the chairperson or by the task force.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall consist of the following  
27 members:

28 (1) One senator appointed by the president of the Senate, who shall serve as the  
29 chairperson.

30 (2) One member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the speaker of the

1 House of Representatives.

2 (3) One member of the internal affairs division of the Department of Public Safety  
3 and Corrections, office of state police, appointed by the superintendent.

4 (4) The executive director of the Louisiana District Attorneys Association, or his  
5 designee.

6 (5) The state public defender, or his designee.

7 (6) The executive director of the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, or his designee.

8 (7) One member of the Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police, appointed by the  
9 president of the association.

10 (8) One member of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, appointed by  
11 the executive director.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each designating authority shall submit the  
13 names of designees to the task force chairperson no later than August 1, 2023.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall convene for its first meeting  
15 no later than September 15, 2023, at the call of chairperson of the task force.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a majority of the task force shall constitute a  
17 quorum for the transaction of business, and all official actions of the task force shall require  
18 the affirmative vote of a majority of the members.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the task force shall serve  
20 without compensation except per diem or expenses reimbursement to which they may be  
21 individually entitled as members of their constituent organizations.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall terminate on the date of the  
23 submission of its report or February 15, 2024, whichever occurs first.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
25 Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of state police, Louisiana District  
26 Attorneys Association, the state public defender, the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, the  
27 Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Louisiana Commission on Law  
28 Enforcement.

