

# House Bill 3175

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## SUMMARY

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Establishes Task Force on Safety of Police Officers to study officer safety.  
Sunsets task force December 31, 2016.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to a task force on police officer safety; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on the Safety of Police Officers is established, consisting**  
5 **of 12 members as follows:**

6 (a) **The President of the Senate shall appoint two members, one rural representative and**  
7 **one urban representative, from among members of the Senate.**

8 (b) **The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members, one rural**  
9 **representative and one urban representative, from among members of the House of Repre-**  
10 **sentatives.**

11 (c) **The Governor shall appoint four members as follows:**

12 (A) **A member of the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police;**

13 (B) **A member of the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association;**

14 (C) **A member of the Oregon District Attorneys Association; and**

15 (D) **A member of the Office of the Governor.**

16 (d) **One member shall be the Director of the Department of Public Safety Standards and**  
17 **Training or a designee of the director.**

18 (e) **One member shall be the Superintendent of State Police or a designee of the super-**  
19 **intendent.**

20 (f) **The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall appoint two members as follows:**

21 (A) **A member of the Department of Justice; and**

22 (B) **A member of the Office of the Attorney General.**

23 (2) **The task force may develop a list of actions that may be implemented to increase the**  
24 **safety of police officers.**

25 (3) **A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction**  
26 **of business.**

27 (4) **Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the members**  
28 **of the task force.**

29 (5) **The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.**

30 (6) **If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-**  
31 **ment to become immediately effective.**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.  
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1       (7) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson  
2 or of a majority of the members of the task force.

3       (8) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

4       (9) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may  
5 include recommendations for legislation, to a committee or an interim committee of the  
6 Legislative Assembly related to public safety as appropriate no later than September 15, 2016.

7       (10) The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training shall provide staff support  
8 to support the task force.

9       (11) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not  
10 entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other  
11 expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and  
12 amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions  
13 of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to the Department of Public Safety  
14 Standards and Training for purposes of the task force.

15       (12) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist  
16 the task force in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating  
17 to confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force  
18 consider necessary to perform their duties.

19       SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on December 31, 2016.

20       SECTION 3. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
21 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect  
22 on its passage.  
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