

HB 1503 -- COMMUNITY-BASED POLICING

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This bill establishes a Task Force To Study Community-Based Policing in the Department of Public Safety. The task force must consist of 11 members appointed by the Director of the Department of Public Safety that may include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Persons from the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission;
- (2) Former sheriffs, chiefs of police, deputy sheriffs, or deputy chiefs of police;
- (3) The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People or Urban League;
- (4) Civic organizations;
- (5) Community-based organizations;
- (6) The Missouri Commission on Human Rights;
- (7) Local government;
- (8) Local police organizations; and
- (9) A member of the Mound City Bar Association with experience in criminal defense who is in no way involved in prosecuting crimes.

The required duties and responsibilities of the task force are specified in the bill. The task force shall make recommendations to the General Assembly and submit a full report of its activities to the General Assembly by January 30th of each year.

The provisions of the bill must expire on January 30, 2021.

This bill is similar to HB 669 (2015).