

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1934

By: Toure of the House

and

Monson of the Senate

An Act relating to criminal procedure; establishing the Racial and Social Economic Statistical Analysis On Imprisonment Task Force; providing for membership; providing for appointment of chair and vice-chair; providing for travel reimbursement; providing for duties; requiring certain report to Governor and Legislature; and providing for noncodification.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created until February 1, 2002, the "Racial and Social Economic Statistical Analysis on Imprisonment Task Force".

B. The task force shall be composed of thirteen (13) members as follows:

1. Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or a designee;
2. Presiding Judge of the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals, or a designee;
3. Executive Director of the District Attorneys Council;
4. Five persons appointed by the Governor;
5. One person appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;
6. One person appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
7. Chair of the House of Representatives Judiciary Committee;
8. Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee; and
9. District Judge appointed by the Chair of the State Judicial Conference.

C. The chair shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or before July 1, 2001. The vice-chair shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. The chair

shall convene the first meeting of the task force on or before July 15, 2001. The members of the task force shall elect any other officers during the first meeting and upon a vacancy in any office. The task force shall meet as often as necessary. Task force members employed by the state shall be reimbursed for travel expenses related to their service on the task force by their respective agencies pursuant to the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act. Legislative members of the task force shall be reimbursed for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Remaining task force members shall be reimbursed travel expenses related to their service on the task force by their appointing authorities pursuant to the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

D. Administrative support for the task force, including, but not limited to, personnel necessary to ensure the proper performance of the duties and responsibilities of the task force, shall be provided by the Criminal Justice Resource Center to be supplemented, if necessary, by the staff of the House of Representatives and the Senate. All participating state agencies shall provide for any administrative support requested by the task force.

E. The task force shall study and make recommendations regarding racial and social economic statistical analysis on imprisonment. The task force shall study the proportion of each race incarcerated in the State of Oklahoma compared to each other state in the United States.

F. The task force shall make a report to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the appropriate committees of the State Senate and the House of Representatives by February 1, 2002. The report shall be prepared by the administrative staff of the affected agencies.

Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of May, 2001.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 16th day of May, 2001.

Presiding Officer of the Senate