

EHB 2634

THE STATE SENATE
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ENGROSSED

House Bill No. 2634

As Amended

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2634 - By: TOURE of the House and MONSON of the Senate.

An Act relating to criminal procedure; re-creating 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; providing for noncodification; and declaring an emergency.

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 re-created until February 1, 2004, 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;

1 5. One person appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the
2 Senate;

3 6. One person appointed by the Speaker of the House of
4 Representatives;

5 7. Chair of the House of Representatives Judiciary Committee;

6 8. Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee; and

7 9. District Judge appointed by the Chair of the State Judicial
8 Conference.

9 C. Members who were serving on the task force as of January 31,
10 2002, shall automatically be appointed to serve on the task force
11 after January 31, 2002.

12 D. The chair shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of
13 Representatives. The vice-chair shall be appointed by the President
14 Pro Tempore of the Senate. The members of the task force shall
15 elect any other officers as necessary. The task force shall meet as
16 often as necessary. Task force members employed by the state shall
17 be reimbursed for travel expenses related to their service on the
18 task force by their respective agencies pursuant to the provisions
19 of the State Travel Reimbursement Act. Legislative members of the
20 task force shall be reimbursed for their necessary travel expenses
21 incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with
22 Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Remaining task
23 force members shall be reimbursed travel expenses related to their

1 service on the task force by their appointing authorities pursuant
2 to the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

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

10 F. The task force shall study and make recommendations
11 regarding the language level of education, literacy attainment, and
12 racial and social economic statistical analysis on imprisonment.
13 The task force shall study the proportion of each race incarcerated
14 in the State of Oklahoma compared to each other state in the United
15 States. The task force shall also study **the** percentage of the total
16 violent crime, including murder, for which each race is responsible
17 **in this state as compared to each other state in the United States.**

18 G. The task force shall make a report to the Governor, the
19 President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
20 Representatives, and the appropriate committees of the State Senate
21 and the House of Representatives by February 1, 2004. The report
22 shall be prepared by the administrative staff of the affected
23 agencies.

1 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
2 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 4-3-02 - DO
6 PASS, As Amended.