

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2414

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to community policing standards;  
8 creating the Oklahoma Community Policing Standards  
9 Task Force; providing termination date; stating  
10 purpose of the Task Force; providing for membership;  
11 providing date for appointments and organizational  
12 meeting; providing for selection of officers; stating  
13 duties; directing Task Force to comply with Oklahoma  
14 Open Meeting Act and Open Records Act; providing for  
15 meetings; providing reimbursement for travel  
16 expenses; providing staff assistance; requiring  
17 completion of study by date certain; providing for  
18 noncodification; and providing an effective date.

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

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

22 A. There is hereby created until December 31, 2024, the  
23 "Oklahoma Community Policing Standards Task Force". The purpose of  
24 the Task Force shall be to conduct a study on community policing  
standards, laws, best practices and training programs regarding the  
use of deadly force in Oklahoma.

B. The Oklahoma Community Policing Standards Task Force shall  
consist of seventeen (17) members as follows:

- 1        1. The Governor, or a designee;
- 2        2. Three members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, two  
3 of which shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of  
4 Representatives and one member to be appointed by the minority  
5 leader of the Oklahoma House of Representatives;
- 6        3. Three members of the Oklahoma State Senate, two of which  
7 shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma  
8 State Senate and one member to be appointed by the minority leader  
9 of Oklahoma State Senate;
- 10       4. The Attorney General, or a designee;
- 11       5. The Executive Coordinator of the District Attorneys Council,  
12 or a designee;
- 13       6. One member representing the law enforcement community who  
14 shall be a member of the Oklahoma Sheriffs' Association and who  
15 shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of  
16 Representatives;
- 17       7. One member representing the law enforcement community who  
18 shall be a member of the Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police  
19 and who shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the  
20 Oklahoma State Senate; and
- 21       8. Six (6) members from impacted communities:
  - 22           a. two of which shall be appointed by the Speaker of the  
23           Oklahoma House of Representatives,
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- 1           b. two of which shall be appointed by the President Pro  
2           Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate,  
3           c. one member to be appointed by the minority leader of  
4           the Oklahoma House of Representatives, and  
5           d. one member to be appointed by the minority leader of  
6           the Oklahoma State Senate.

7           C. Appointment to the Oklahoma Community Policing Standards  
8 Task Force shall be made by November 1, 2021. The chair shall be  
9 appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives on  
10 or before December 1, 2021. The vice-chair shall be appointed by  
11 the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate on or before  
12 December 1, 2021. The Task Force shall conduct an organizational  
13 meeting not later than December 31, 2021.

14           D. The Oklahoma Community Policing Standards Task Force shall:

15           1. Review laws, practices and training programs regarding the  
16 use of deadly force in Oklahoma;

17           2. Review current policies, practices and tools used by or  
18 otherwise available to law enforcement as an alternative to lethal  
19 uses of force, including electroshock weapons and other nonlethal  
20 weapons; and

21           3. Recommend best practices to reduce the number of violent  
22 interactions between law enforcement officers and members of the  
23 public.

1       The Task Force may review literature and reports on the use of  
2 deadly force and may consult with persons, organizations and  
3 entities with interest or experience in community policing  
4 including, but not limited to, state and local law enforcement  
5 agencies, local governments, professional associations, community  
6 organizations, advocacy groups and faith-based organizations.

7       E. The Oklahoma Community Policing Standards Task Force shall  
8 be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and the Oklahoma Open  
9 Records Act.

10       F. The Oklahoma Community Policing Standards Task Force shall  
11 be authorized to meet at such times as may be required in order to  
12 fulfill the duties imposed upon the Task Force by law. Members of  
13 the Task Force shall be reimbursed for their necessary travel  
14 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as follows:

15       1. Members who are state employees shall be reimbursed for  
16 travel expenses in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement  
17 Act;

18       2. Legislative members shall be reimbursed in accordance with  
19 Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

20       3. All other members shall be reimbursed in accordance with the  
21 State Travel Reimbursement Act.

22       G. Staff assistance for the Oklahoma Community Policing  
23 Standards Task Force shall be provided by the Oklahoma House of  
24 Representatives and the Oklahoma State Senate.

1 H. The Oklahoma Community Policing Standards Task Force shall  
2 complete its study not later than December 31, 2024.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective September 1, 2021.  
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