1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the Community Violence Task Force; 3 creating the task force within the Department of Law 4 Enforcement; providing for membership, duties, and 5 meetings of the task force; requiring state agencies 6 to provide assistance when requested by the task 7 force; authorizing the task force to receive exempt or 8 confidential and exempt information and specifying 9 that the information maintains such status; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and 10 11 Legislature by a specified date; providing for 12 expiration of the task force; providing an effective 13 date. 14 15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 16 17 Section 1. Community Violence Task Force.-18 The Community Violence Task Force, a task force as (1) 19 defined in s. 20.03(5), Florida Statutes, is created within the 20 Department of Law Enforcement. Except as otherwise provided in 21 this section, the task force shall comply with the requirements 22 of s. 20.052, Florida Statutes. 23 (2)(a) The task force shall consist of the following 24 members: 25 1. Four members appointed by the Governor, one of whom the Page 1 of 4

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26 Governor shall designate as the chair of the task force. 27 2. Four members appointed by the President of the Senate, 28 two of whom must be members of the Legislative Black Caucus of 29 the Senate. 30 3. Four members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, two of whom must be members of the Legislative 31 32 Black Caucus of the House of Representatives. 33 4. A representative from the Florida Sheriffs Association, 34 nominated by the executive director and appointed by the 35 Governor. 36 5. A representative from the Florida Police Chiefs 37 Association, nominated by the executive director and appointed 38 by the Governor. 39 6. The Secretary of Children and Families, or his or her designee. 40 41 (b) Members must be appointed no later than August 1, 42 2024. Members serve at the pleasure of the officer who appointed 43 them, and a vacancy on the task force must be filled in the same 44 manner as the original appointment. Members of the task force 45 shall serve without compensation but are entitled to 46 reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses pursuant to s. 47 112.061, Florida <u>Statutes</u>. 48 (c) The task force shall meet at the call of the chair at 49 a time and location in this state designated by the chair. The 50 task force may not conduct its meetings by teleconference or

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51 other electronic means. 52 (3) The task force shall review system failures and the 53 causes of high crime rates and violence in urban core 54 neighborhoods and communities. In addition, the task force shall 55 develop recommendations for solutions, programs, services, and 56 strategies for improved interagency communication between local 57 and state governmental agencies to help facilitate the reduction 58 of crime and violence in urban core neighborhoods and 59 communities. 60 (4) The Department of Law Enforcement shall provide 61 staffing and administrative assistance to the task force in performing its duties. The task force may call upon other state 62 63 agencies for such professional assistance as may be needed in 64 the performance of its duties, and such agencies shall provide 65 such assistance in a timely manner. 66 (5) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the 67 task force may request and shall be provided with access to any information or records that pertain to crime or violent 68 69 incidents in this state's urban core neighborhoods and 70 communities. Information or records obtained by the task force 71 which are otherwise exempt or confidential and exempt shall 72 retain such exempt or confidential and exempt status, and the 73 task force may not disclose any such information or records. 74 (6) The task force shall submit a report on its findings 75 and recommendations to the Governor, the President of the

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76	Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by June
77	<u>1, 2026.</u>
78	(7) This section expires June 30, 2026.
79	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

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