

HB 616 -- TASK FORCE ON BODY-WORN CAMERAS

SPONSOR: Rogers

This bill establishes in the Department of Public Safety a "Task Force on Body-Worn Cameras", and the bill describes who will comprise the Task Force. There will be 23 members, including, among others, two members of the House of Representatives, two members of the Senate, and one representative from the Governor's office. Within 30 days of the creation of the Task Force, the Director of the Department of Public Safety or his or her designee must convene the first meeting of the Task Force to establish bylaws and elect officers, including the Chair, the Vice Chair, and the Secretary. The Task Force will examine the use of body-worn cameras by law enforcement and may request information, recordings, and other records from agencies as the Task Force deems appropriate. The Task Force will deliver a report of recommendations to the Governor and members of the General Assembly no later than December 31, 2021. The provisions of this bill will expire on December 31, 2027.

This bill is similar to HB 2645 (2020).