

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

April 23, 2014
Date

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB14-1343 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Legislative Council with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and
2 substitute:
- 3 "SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 29-5-113 as
4 follows:
- 5 **29-5-113. Peace officers - post-traumatic stress disorder task**
6 **force - creation - report - repeal.** (1) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED THE
7 PEACE OFFICER POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER TASK FORCE,
8 REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE TASK FORCE. THE TASK FORCE
9 SHALL RESEARCH WORK-RELATED PEACE OFFICER POST-TRAUMATIC
10 STRESS DISORDER AND OTHER RELEVANT TOPICS AS DETERMINED BY THE
11 TASK FORCE AND REPORT FINDINGS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT
12 INCLUDE THE BEST POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYERS OF
13 PEACE OFFICERS IN COLORADO CONCERNING IDENTIFICATION,
14 PREVENTION, TREATMENT, COVERED WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS,
15 STANDARDIZED PREEMPLOYMENT PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS, AND
16 EDUCATION OF BOTH MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES ON THIS MENTAL
17 HEALTH ILLNESS.
- 18 (2) THE TASK FORCE MEMBERS ARE APPOINTED AS FOLLOWS;
- 19 (a) THE SPEAKER AND THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF
20 REPRESENTATIVES SHALL EACH APPOINT A MEMBER FROM THE HOUSE OF
21 REPRESENTATIVES.
- 22 (b) THE PRESIDENT AND THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE
23 SHALL EACH APPOINT A MEMBER FROM THE SENATE.
- 24 (c) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING
25 DEPARTMENTS SHALL APPOINT MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

1 (I) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DIVISION OF WORKERS'
2 COMPENSATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT;
3 (II) TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
4 SAFETY;
5 (III) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
6 CORRECTIONS;
7 (IV) TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION; AND
9 (V) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
10 SERVICES.
11 (d) THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF THE COUNTY SHERIFFS OF
12 COLORADO SHALL APPOINT TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COUNTY
13 SHERIFFS.
14 (e) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD OF THE COLORADO
15 ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE SHALL APPOINT TWO REPRESENTATIVES
16 OF THE ASSOCIATION.
17 (f) THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLORADO FRATERNAL ORDER OF
18 POLICE SHALL APPOINT TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ORGANIZATION.
19 (g) THE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO STATE
20 PATROL PROFESSIONALS SHALL APPOINT ONE MEMBER FROM ITS
21 ORGANIZATION.
22 (h) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COLORADO MUNICIPAL
23 LEAGUE SHALL APPOINT ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE.
24 (i) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COLORADO COUNTIES,
25 INCORPORATED SHALL APPOINT ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF COLORADO
26 COUNTIES, INCORPORATED.
27 (j) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COLORADO BAR
28 ASSOCIATION SHALL APPOINT ONE ATTORNEY WITH EXPERTISE AND
29 EXPERIENCE IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYMENT LAW.
30 (k) THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLORADO PSYCHIATRIC SOCIETY
31 SHALL APPOINT A PSYCHIATRIST WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE SOCIETY AND
32 WHOSE PRIMARY AREA OF PRACTICE INCLUDES POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS
33 DISORDER.
34 (l) THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLORADO PSYCHOLOGICAL
35 ASSOCIATION SHALL APPOINT ONE POLICE PSYCHOLOGIST LICENSED
36 PURSUANT TO PART 3 OF ARTICLE 43 OF TITLE 12, C.R.S., WHOSE PRIMARY
37 AREA OF PRACTICE INCLUDES THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF
38 POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER.
39 (m) THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLORADO POLICE PROTECTIVE
40 ASSOCIATION SHALL APPOINT ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ASSOCIATION.
41 (3) THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPOINTED BY THE
42 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE MINORITY

1 LEADER SHALL SERVE AS CO-CHAIRS OF THE TASK FORCE. THE PERSONS
2 MAKING THE APPOINTMENTS SHALL NOTIFY THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE
3 APPOINTMENTS TO THE TASK FORCE.

4 (4) (a) THE TASK FORCE SHALL MEET NO LATER THAN JULY 1,
5 2014, AND AT LEAST FOUR TIMES THEREAFTER AS NECESSARY TO
6 COMPLETE ITS DUTIES. THE MEETINGS MAY BE HELD IN LOCATIONS
7 OFFERED BY THE ENTITIES REPRESENTED ON THE TASK FORCE.

8 (b) THE CO-CHAIRS MAY ASSIGN STUDY GROUPS WITHIN THE TASK
9 FORCE TO ASSIST THE TASK FORCE IN ITS DUTIES.

10 (c) THE MEETINGS OF THE TASK FORCE ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
11 THE TASK FORCE MAY ACCEPT REPORTS AND PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND MAY
12 REQUEST OUTSIDE ENTITIES TO PROVIDE TESTIMONY, WRITTEN COMMENTS,
13 AND OTHER RELEVANT DATA TO THE TASK FORCE.

14 (d) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 15, 2015, THE TASK FORCE SHALL
15 SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT WITH ITS FINDINGS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH
16 CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF
17 REPRESENTATIVES AND THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF
18 THE SENATE. A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE MAY SUBMIT A DISSIDENTING
19 OPINION TO THE COMMITTEES WITH THE TASK FORCE REPORT.

20 (5) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2015.

21 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
22 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
23 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
24 6, 2014, if adjournment sine die is on May 7, 2014); except that, if a
25 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
26 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
27 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
28 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
29 November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
30 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor."

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