

1 AN ACT concerning government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Task Force on Missing and Murdered Chicago  
5 Women Act is amended by changing Section 10 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 4119/10)

7 Sec. 10. Task Force on Missing and Murdered Chicago Women.

8 (a) The Executive Director of the Illinois Criminal  
9 Justice Information Authority or the Executive Director's  
10 designee, in consultation with the Director of the Illinois  
11 State Police and the Chicago Police Superintendent, shall  
12 appoint the non-legislative members to the Task Force on  
13 Missing and Murdered Chicago Women to advise the Director and  
14 the Chicago Police Superintendent and to report to the General  
15 Assembly on recommendations to reduce and end violence against  
16 Chicago women and girls. The Task Force may also serve as a  
17 liaison between the Director, the Chicago Police  
18 Superintendent, and agencies and nongovernmental organizations  
19 that provide services to victims, victims' families, and  
20 victims' communities. Task Force members shall serve without  
21 compensation but may, subject to appropriation, receive  
22 reimbursement for their expenses as members of the Task Force.

23 (b) There is created the Task Force on Missing and

1 Murdered Chicago Women, which shall consist of the following  
2 individuals, or their designees, who are knowledgeable in  
3 crime victims' rights or violence protection and, unless  
4 otherwise specified, members shall be appointed for 2-year  
5 terms as follows:

6 (1) Two members of the Senate, one appointed by the  
7 President of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority  
8 Leader of the Senate;

9 (2) Two members of the House of Representatives, one  
10 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives  
11 and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of  
12 Representatives;

13 (3) Two members from among the following appointed by  
14 the Executive Director of the Illinois Criminal Justice  
15 Information Authority or the Executive Director's  
16 designee:

17 (A) an association representing Illinois chiefs of  
18 police;

19 (B) an association representing Illinois sheriffs;

20 (C) an officer who is employed by the Illinois  
21 State Police; or

22 (D) an Illinois peace officer's association;

23 (4) One or more representatives from among the  
24 following:

25 (A) an association representing State's Attorneys;

26 (B) an attorney representing the United States

1 Attorney's Office in Chicago; ~~or~~

2 (C) a circuit judge, associate judge, or attorney  
3 working in juvenile court; or

4 (D) the Cook County Medical Examiner, or his or  
5 her designee, or a representative from a statewide  
6 coroner's or medical examiner's association or a  
7 representative of the Department of Public Health;

8 (5) Two representatives for victims, with a focus on  
9 individuals who work with victims of violence or their  
10 families appointed by the Executive Director of the  
11 Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority or the  
12 Executive Director's designee; ~~and~~

13 (6) Four or more members from among the following  
14 appointed by the Executive Director of the Illinois  
15 Criminal Justice Information Authority or the Executive  
16 Director's designee:

17 (A) a statewide or local organization that  
18 provides legal services to Chicago women and girls;

19 (B) a statewide or local organization that  
20 provides advocacy or counseling for Chicago women and  
21 girls who have been victims of violence;

22 (C) a statewide or local organization that  
23 provides healthcare services to Chicago women and  
24 girls;

25 (D) a statewide organization that represents women  
26 and girls who have been sexually assaulted;

1 (E) a women's health organization or agency; or

2 (F) a Chicago woman who is a survivor of  
3 gender-related violence; ~~and~~

4 (7) Two officers who are employed by the Chicago  
5 Police Department nominated by the Chicago Police  
6 Superintendent or the Chicago Police Superintendent's  
7 designee and appointed by the Executive Director of the  
8 Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority or the  
9 Executive Director's designee.

10 (c) Vacancies in positions appointed by the Executive  
11 Director of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information  
12 Authority or the Executive Director's designee shall be filled  
13 by the Executive Director of the Illinois Criminal Justice  
14 Information Authority or the Executive Director's designee  
15 consistent with the qualifications of the vacating member  
16 required by this Section.

17 (d) Task Force members shall annually elect a chair and  
18 vice-chair from among the Task Force's members, and may elect  
19 other officers as necessary. The Task Force shall meet at  
20 least quarterly, or upon the call of its chair, and may hold  
21 meetings throughout the City of Chicago. The Task Force shall  
22 meet frequently enough to accomplish the tasks identified in  
23 this Section. Meetings of the Task Force are subject to the  
24 Open Meetings Act. The Task Force shall seek out and enlist the  
25 cooperation and assistance of nongovernmental organizations,  
26 community, and advocacy organizations working with the Chicago

1 community, and academic researchers and experts, specifically  
2 those specializing in violence against Chicago women and  
3 girls, representing diverse communities disproportionately  
4 affected by violence against women and girls, or focusing on  
5 issues related to gender-related violence and violence against  
6 Chicago women and girls.

7 (e) The Executive Director of the Illinois Criminal  
8 Justice Information Authority or the Executive Director's  
9 designee shall convene the first meeting of the Task Force no  
10 later than 30 days after the appointment of a majority of the  
11 members of the Task Force. The Illinois Criminal Justice  
12 Information Authority shall provide meeting space and  
13 administrative assistance as necessary for the Task Force to  
14 conduct its work. The chair of the Task Force may call  
15 electronic meetings of the Task Force. A member of the Task  
16 Force participating electronically shall be deemed present for  
17 purposes of establishing a quorum and voting.

18 (f) The Task Force must examine and report on the  
19 following:

20 (1) the systemic causes behind violence that Chicago  
21 women and girls experience, including patterns and  
22 underlying factors that explain why disproportionately  
23 high levels of violence occur against Chicago women and  
24 girls, including underlying historical, social, economic,  
25 institutional, and cultural factors that may contribute to  
26 the violence;

1           (2) appropriate methods for tracking and collecting  
2           data on violence against Chicago women and girls,  
3           including data on missing and murdered Chicago women and  
4           girls;

5           (3) policies and institutions such as policing, child  
6           welfare, medical examiner practices, and other  
7           governmental practices that impact violence against  
8           Chicago women and girls and the investigation and  
9           prosecution of crimes of gender-related violence against  
10          Chicago residents;

11          (4) measures necessary to address and reduce violence  
12          against Chicago women and girls; and

13          (5) measures to help victims, victims' families, and  
14          victims' communities prevent and heal from violence that  
15          occurs against Chicago women and girls.

16          (g) The Task Force shall report on or before December 31 of  
17          2024, and on or before December 31 of each year thereafter, to  
18          the General Assembly and the Governor on the work of the Task  
19          Force, including, but not limited to, the issues to be  
20          examined in subsection (g), and shall include in the annual  
21          report recommendations regarding institutional policies and  
22          practices or proposed institutional policies and practices  
23          that are effective in reducing gender-related violence and  
24          increasing the safety of Chicago women and girls. The report  
25          shall include recommendations to reduce and end violence  
26          against Chicago women and girls and help victims and

1 communities heal from gender-related violence and violence  
2 against Chicago women and girls.

3 (Source: P.A. 102-1057, eff. 1-1-23; 103-154, eff. 6-30-23.)