

# School Security Task Force – Membership – Duties – Per diem – Report – Expiration

53-22-104.1 Sunset Recommendations

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- (1) There is created a School Security Task Force composed of the following members:
  - (a) the House chair and vice chair of the House Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Standing Committee during the 2024 General Session, with the House chair serving as the co-chair of the task force;
  - (b) two members from the Senate, whom the president of the Senate selects and one of whom the president of the Senate appoints as co-chair of the task force;
  - (c) the state security chief;
  - (d) one member of the State Board of Education, whom the chair of State Board of Education selects;
  - (e) a member of the School Safety Center, whom the state security chief selects;
  - (f) the director of the Utah Division of Juvenile Justice Youth Services or the director's designee;
  - (g) a member of the Utah School Superintendents Association, whom the chairs select;
  - (h) one member of the Chiefs of Police Association from a county of the first or second class;
  - (i) one member of the Sheriff's Association from a county of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class, whom the president of the association selects;
  - (j) one county security chief, whom the state security chief selects;
  - (k) a school safety and security director, whom the chairs select;
  - (l) a school resource officer, whom the state security chief selects; and
  - (m) a member of the SafeUT and School Safety Commission, whom the chairs select.
- (2) The task force shall:
  - (a) review school safety updates;
  - (b) consult with the Education Advisory Board created in Section 53-22-104.2; and
  - (c) develop legislation recommendations as necessary.

# Background

Section [53-22-104.1](#) is scheduled to be repealed. Unless action is taken by the Legislature, the program will be repealed on July 1, 2025.

# Background

The Education Interim Committee has three options for making recommendations to the Legislature regarding these statutes.

1. Take no action. This would allow the statute to sunset, meaning the section of code would be repealed, including the Task Force.
2. Draft a committee bill to change the sunset date.
3. Draft a committee bill to remove the sunset date.

The Interim Committee would like a recommendation from the Board on whether to allow the repeal of the program, change the sunset date, or to remove the sunset completely (allowing the program to continue in perpetuity).

If 53-22-104.1 is repealed:

- The selected USBE Board member and member of the School Safety Center would not have the opportunity to be on the task force which has been established to review school safety updates; consult with the Education Advisory Board created in Section 53-22-104.2; and develop legislation recommendations, as necessary.

# Recommendation

## 53-22-104.1

That the Committee recommends that the Board support the School Security Task Force for the length of time recommended by Rep. Wilcox and forwards the recommendation to the Board for approval.

# Thank you

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