

CRIMINAL CODE EVALUATION TASK FORCE EXTENSION

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne

House Sponsor: Paul Ray

LONG TITLE

Committee Note:

The Criminal Code Evaluation Task Force recommended this bill.

Membership: 6 legislators 9 non-legislators

Total Vote: 14 voting for 0 voting against 1 absent

Legislative Vote: 5 voting for 0 voting against 1 absent

General Description:

This bill reenacts the Criminal Code Evaluation Task Force.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

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Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63I-1-236, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Fifth Special Session, Chapter 19

ENACTS:

36-29-108, Utah Code Annotated 1953



28 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

29 Section 1. Section **36-29-108** is enacted to read:

30 **36-29-108. Criminal Code Evaluation Task Force.**

31 (1) As used in this section, "task force" means the Criminal Code Evaluation Task
32 Force created in this section.

33 (2) There is created the Criminal Code Evaluation Task Force consisting of the
34 following 15 members:

35 (a) three members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more than
36 two of whom may be from the same political party;

37 (b) three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the
38 House of Representatives, no more than two of whom may be from the same political party;

39 (c) the executive director of the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice or the
40 executive director's designee;

41 (d) the director of the Utah Sentencing Commission or the director's designee;

42 (e) one member appointed by the presiding officer of the Utah Judicial Council;

43 (f) one member of the Utah Prosecution Council appointed by the chair of the Utah
44 Prosecution Council;

45 (g) the executive director of the Utah Department of Corrections or the executive
46 director's designee;

47 (h) the commissioner of the Utah Department of Public Safety or the commissioner's
48 designee;

49 (i) the director of the Utah Office for Victims of Crime or the director's designee;

50 (j) an individual who represents an association of criminal defense attorneys, appointed
51 by the president of the Senate; and

52 (k) an individual who represents an association of victim advocates, appointed by the
53 speaker of the House of Representatives.

54 (3) (a) The president of the Senate shall designate a member of the Senate appointed
55 under Subsection (2)(a) as a cochair of the task force.

56 (b) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of the House
57 of Representatives appointed under Subsection (2)(b) as a cochair of the task force.

58 (4) (a) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum.

59 (b) The action of a majority of a quorum constitutes an action of the task force.

60 (5) (a) Salaries and expenses of the members of the task force who are legislators shall
 61 be paid in accordance with Section [36-2-2](#) and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Chapter 3,
 62 Legislator Compensation.

63 (b) A member of the task force who is not a legislator:

64 (i) may not receive compensation for the member's work associated with the task force;

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66 (ii) may receive per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses incurred as a member
 67 of the task force at the rates established by the Division of Finance under Sections [63A-3-106](#)
 68 and [63A-3-107](#).

69 (6) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff support
 70 to the task force.

71 (7) The task force shall review the state's criminal code and related statutes and make
 72 recommendations regarding:

73 (a) the proper classification of crimes by degrees of felony and misdemeanor;

74 (b) standardizing the format of criminal statutes; and

75 (c) other modifications related to the criminal code and related statutes.

76 (8) On or before November 30 of each year that the task force is in effect, the task
 77 force shall provide a report, including any proposed legislation, to:

78 (a) the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee; and

79 (b) the Legislative Management Committee.

80 (9) The task force is repealed April 15, 2023.

81 Section 2. Section **63I-1-236** is amended to read:

82 **63I-1-236. Repeal dates, Title 36.**

83 (1) Title 36, Chapter 17, Legislative Process Committee, is repealed January 1, 2023.

84 (2) Section [36-12-20](#) is repealed June 30, 2023.

85 (3) Title 36, Chapter 28, Veterans and Military Affairs Commission, is repealed
 86 January 1, 2025.

87 [~~(4) Section [36-29-105](#) is repealed on December 31, 2020.~~]

88 [~~(5)~~] (4) Section [36-29-106](#) is repealed June 1, 2021.

89 (5) Section [36-29-108](#), Criminal Code Evaluation Task Force, is repealed April 15,

90 2023.

91 (6) Title 36, Chapter 31, Martha Hughes Cannon Capitol Statue Oversight Committee,

92 is repealed January 1, 2022.