

Law Enforcement Consolidation Task Force Meeting
Organizational Meeting
July 14, 2011, 2:00 P.M.

WELCOME– Julie

- 1) First meeting of the Law Enforcement Consolidation Task Force
 - a. The two people who have taken ownership in this task force are Governor Rick Scott and Senator Jack Latvala. Mr. Doug Darling is here representing the Governor. Would you like to say a few words?

Mr. Darling briefly presented the Governor’s vision to the committee.
 - b. For the record: I have not been given any specific goals or objectives outside of the charter outlined in SB 2160.
 - c. This is about good governance, not only about creating efficiencies, but about validating the mission and objectives of the dozen or so state law enforcement agencies. There have been articles about position cuts to law enforcement, unfunded mandates to local government.....none of this is accurate. No one knows how this will look until the task force has reviewed and discussed the research of our team members.

2.) Housekeeping

- a. Phones on stun
- b. All our meeting will be recorded
- c. Elizabeth Denmark and Sharon Rudd are staff contacts
- d. Web site will be created for all documents
- e. Public input cards for speakers

3.) SB 2160

Section 31. Effective July 1, 2011, a Law Enforcement Consolidation Task Force is created.

1) Members of the task force shall consist of the executive director of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement, a representative from the Office of the Attorney General, a representative from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Colonel of the Florida Highway Patrol, the Colonel of the Division of Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, a representative from the Florida Sheriffs Association, and a representative from the Florida Police Chiefs Association.

2) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall provide administrative assistance to the task force. (Elizabeth and Sharon)

(3) The task force shall evaluate any duplication of law enforcement functions throughout state government and identify any functions that are appropriate for possible consolidation.

The task force shall also evaluate administrative functions, including, but not limited to, accreditation, training, legal representation, vehicle fleets, aircraft, civilian-support staffing, information technology, and geographic regions, districts, or troops currently in use. The task force shall also evaluate whether the Florida Highway Patrol should limit its jurisdiction, except while in fresh pursuit, to the State Highway System or the Florida Intrastate Highway System. If the task force concludes that any state law enforcement consolidation is appropriate, the task force shall make recommendations and submit a plan to consolidate those state law enforcement responsibilities. Any plan submitted must include recommendations on the methodology to be used to achieve any state law enforcement consolidation recommended by the task force by June 30, 2013. The task force shall submit to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report which includes any recommendations and plan developed by the task force by December 31, 2011. The task force expires June 30, 2012.

Time Table

- a. Task Force Report Due Dec, 2011
- b. Task Force Expires June, 2012
- c. Recommendations good thru June 2013

INTRODUCTIONS - State your name and affiliation/ thoughts goals....

- 1) Task Force Members – Present, video and phone; cabinet member additions
- 2) Discuss Video and phone conferencing options for members

- 3) HSMV staff members in support (Elizabeth Denning, Sharon Rudd, Dave Conklin, Steven Fielder, Steve Hurm, Courtney Heidelberg)
- 4) House/Senate staff; have Steven discuss email group for those not present.
- 5) Union reps – FAST and PBA
- 6) Others - Press

DISCUSS PROCESS AND IMPLEMENTATION

- 1) Best use of our task force member's time
- 2) Sunshine issues
- 3) SB 2160, OPPAGA reports, LE consolidation efforts from the past
- 4) Units of state law enforcement
 - a. FDLE, Capitol Police, IG, Child Predator Cyber Crime
 - b. HSMV, FHP, MCC, IG
 - c. DPBR, ABT
 - d. DEP, Division of LE, IG
 - e. Ag Law, IG
 - f. Lottery Division of Security
 - g. Supreme Court office of the Marshall, District Court of Appeals - Consider
 - h. FWC, Division of LE, IG
 - i. DOC, LE in Inspector General Office
 - j. DFS: Insurance Fraud, Fire and Arson Investigations, Office of Fiscal Integrity
 - k. Attorney General Office: Medicaid Fraud
 - l. Campus Police – Consider
 - m. DJJ
- 5) Propose the use of subject matter expert teams with a task force sponsor to expedite the process.
 - a. Staff with employees from affected agencies
 - b. Designate a team leader and task force sponsor

- c. The teams will develop a charter, work thru their sponsor and use other task force members as necessary – especially the Chief and Sheriff
 - d. Next meeting sponsors can report on team membership
 - e. The teams will report periodically to the task force during scheduled meetings
 - f. Progress will be posted on the HSMV website
 - g. Three month turn around
- 6) Public input: my staff will summarize public input and copy task force members. Unless it is overwhelming, we will also try to post public input on our website. (Elizabeth)

PROPOSED SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT TEAMS

Our charter is specific that everything is on the table for consideration, I have received lots of questions about various functions of state law enforcement.

	<u>Sponsor</u>
1) IG law enforcement investigators – Melinda	Jones
2) Aviation	Bryan
a. Air station model	
b. To what agency? DOF, DMS, HSMV, FWC	
c. OPPAGA report	
3) Data Center Consolidation	Gainey
a. Need Dave Taylor’s involvment	
4) Environmental Law Enforcement	Brown
a. FWC	
b. DEP	
c. Ag Law, CARL Officers, Investigations	

- 5) MCC and AG Law Inspections Bryan
- a. MCC functions and weight stations
 - b. Ag inspections
- 6) Investigations Bailey
- a. CFO – Insurance Fraud and Public Assistance Fraud, Fiscal Integrity, Fire Marshall
 - b. Attorney General – Medicaid Fraud , Child Predators
 - c. FDLE – Cyber Crime, Criminal Investigations
 - d. DEP Environmental Investigations
 - e. Forensics
- 7) Law Enforcement vs. Civilianization of positions Jones
- a. DPBR
 - b. Lottery
 - c. DEM
 - d. Other/All
- 8) LE Functions/Duplication
- a. Regional Configuration, Support Staff/Admin, legal, Policies and Procedures Brierton
 - b. Accreditation – LE and Fire, Training Bailey
 - c. Vehicle/Fleet management/logistics Monahan
 - d. *Communications – discussed and agreed for sidebar*
- 9) Evaluation of Jurisdiction for Florida Highway Patrol Gee

TAKE AWAYS

- 1.) White Paper on Agency functions – Commissioner Bailey’s office will circulate a DRAFT next week to the team
- 2.) Lottery, DJJ, Campus Police, Supreme Court, DCA – Director Jones will notify these agencies and ask Supreme Court, DCA and Campus Police to meet with the committee
- 3.) Form SME teams and charters

CLOSING

- 1) Next meeting
 - a. New Business
 - b. Team formation and charters
 - c. Location – FSA Conference August 3rd, time TBD
- 2) Q & A
- 3) Thank you’s