

Status of Task Forces Created by Recent Legislation
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Task Force	Issue	Statute	Charge	Status	Members
School Safety Infrastructure Council	School safety and security	Public Act 13-3 § 80	Develop school safety infrastructure standards for school building projects and projects receiving reimbursement as part of the school security infrastructure competitive grant program. Must submit annually the school safety infrastructure standards to the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, School Building Projects Advisory Council.	All members have been appointed. First meeting was held July 15, 2013. Second meeting was held August 8, 2013. Meeting agendas and minutes, as well as council materials and other information is available on the SSIC website at http://das.ct.gov/cr1.aspx?page=421 .	Commissioner Donald J. DeFronzo, Deputy Commissioner Pasquale "Bud" J. Salemi, Deputy Commissioner William P. Shea, John Woodmansee, Richard E. Morris, Frank J. Costello, Jr, Ronald Jakubowski, Steven Waznia, Adam Byington, Irene Roman.

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Statewide Firearms Trafficking Task Force	Gun control and enforcement of state laws	Public Act 13-3 § 63	Created for the effective cooperative enforcement of state laws concerning the distribution and possession of firearms.	Was originally created in 2000 and then cut down to one member (a detective) due to budget constraints. New legislation gave one million dollars for the purpose of funding the activities of the task force.	N/A
Task Force to Study Behavioral Health Provisions for Young Adults	Mental and behavioral health	Public Act 13-3 § 66	Make recommendations regarding access, understanding, early identification and treatment of mental health issues before they get to a point of public crisis.	First organizational meeting was held August 14, 2013, second meeting has not yet been scheduled. Website is currently under construction.	Co-Chair Daniel F. Connor, Co-Chair Sheryl A. Ryan, Anton Alerte, Ashley J. Saunders, Hon. Robert A. Killian, Jr., Cara Lynn Westcott, Stacey Adams, Aura Ardon, Marcy Kane, Kelly Phenix, Laura Tordenti, Victoria Veltri, Mickey Kramer, Rovert McKeagney, Patricia Rehmer, Katharine Kranz Lewis, Scott

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Task Force to Consider the Balance between Victim Privacy under the Freedom of Information Act And the Public's Right to Know	Freedom of Information	Public Act 13-311 Sec. 4	Consider and make recommendations regarding the balance between victim privacy under the Freedom of Information Act and the public's right to know.	17-member panel has been created and first meeting was held August 1. During this meeting, the task force took no action, but began discussing its task and how it would organize. Is set to meet again later this month.	Co-Chairman Don DeCesare, Co-Chairman Rep. Angel Arce, Jodie Mozdzer-Gil, Klarn DePalma, Brian Koonz, Colleen M. Murphy, Reuben F. Bradford, State Sen. Eric Coleman, State Sen. Leonard A. Fasano, Andrew Woods, Garvin G. Ambrose, Susan O. Storey, Kevin T. Kane, James H. Smith, Rep. Debra Lee Hovey, Jillian Knox, Prof. William V. Dunlap.

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Task force to study the feasibility of permitting a sexual assault victim who is not the perpetrator's family or household member to apply for a restraining order	Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault	Public Act 13-214 Sec. 21	Study the feasibility of amending title 46b of the general statutes to permit a person other than a family or household member, as defined in section 46b-38a of the general statutes, to apply for a restraining order pursuant to section 46b-15 of the general statutes	Task force not yet established. Recommendations of the task force are due February 5, 2014.	TBD

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Children's Mental Health Task Force	Children's mental health	Public Act 13-178 Sec. 8	Study the effects of nutrition, genetics, complementary and alternative treatments and psychotropic drugs on the mental, emotional and behavioral health of children within the state. Must submit a report on its findings and recommendations.	No information is yet available regarding this committee on the website for the Committee on Children. Was unable to get information from the Committee on Children on the status of this task force. Recommendations of the task force are due September 30, 2014.	TBD

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Connecticut Coordinated Assistance and Recovery Endowment	Emergency Services	Public Act 13-275, sec. 5	accept charitable donations in the immediate aftermath of an emergency and disseminate them as quickly as possible in accordance with the donors' intent	12-member governing board. Appointments are in progress.	TBD