

**Subject** Establishing a Task Force on Holistic and Effective Responses to Illicit Drug Use

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## Overview

In 2023, the legislature passed a grant for a report on illicit drug use in Minnesota. This bill establishes a task force to review the report and provide recommendations to implement and fund policies to address the use of illicit drugs.

## Summary

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| 1 | <p><b>Task Force on Holistic and Effective Responses to Illicit Drug Use.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 1. Establishment.</b> Establishes a task force to review the reports on approaches to address illicit drug use prepared pursuant to the grant passed in the 2023 session and to develop recommendations based on that report.</p> <p><b>Subd. 2. Membership.</b> Identifies the membership of the Task Force on Holistic and Effective Responses to Illicit Drug Use. Requires appointment by August 31, 2024, and establishes that members serve without compensation.</p> <p><b>Subd. 3. Officers; meetings.</b> Directs the state public defender or designee to convene the first meeting of the task force by September 30, 2024. Establishes that meetings are subject to the open meeting requirements. Permits the task force to access public data and summary data, and authorizes the task force to request assistance from other organizations.</p> <p><b>Subd. 4. Staff; meeting space.</b> Directs the commissioner of public safety to provide space and administrative support for the task force.</p> <p><b>Subd. 5. Reports.</b> Requires the task force to submit an initial report and a final report to the legislature with recommendations that include proposed legislation and implementation plans.</p> |
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	<p><b>Subd. 6. Expiration.</b> Provides that the task force expires on the later of submission of its final report or adjournment of the 94<sup>th</sup> Minnesota Legislature (expected to be in May, 2026).</p>
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2	<p><b>Task Force on Holistic and Effective Responses to Illicit Drug Use; appropriation.</b> Appropriates an unspecified amount in fiscal year 2025 to provide space and support to the task force. Establishes an unspecified base for the appropriation in fiscal year 2026 and states that there is no appropriation beginning in fiscal year 2027.</p>
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