

House File 2440 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring the department of public safety, in
2 collaboration with the department of education and the
3 department of homeland security and emergency management,
4 to convene a task force to study and make recommendations
5 related to the safety and security standards of schools and
6 school infrastructure.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF
2 EDUCATION, AND DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY
3 MANAGEMENT — SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE
4 STANDARDS — TASK FORCE.

5 1. The department of public safety, in collaboration with
6 the department of education and the department of homeland
7 security and emergency management, shall convene and provide
8 administrative support to a task force that shall study
9 and make recommendations related to the safety and security
10 standards of schools and school infrastructure, including
11 safety and security standards related to doors, windows,
12 cameras, and locks.

13 2. Any expenses incurred by a member of the task force
14 shall be the responsibility of the individual member or the
15 respective entity represented by the member.

16 3. The task force shall submit its findings and
17 recommendations to the general assembly on or before December
18 31, 2024. The findings and recommendations shall include a
19 proposal for modifications to the state building code that
20 are applicable to the construction of new attendance centers
21 and the renovation of existing attendance centers and that
22 incorporate standards designed to increase the safety of
23 schools and school infrastructure.

24 EXPLANATION

25 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
26 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

27 This bill requires the department of public safety, in
28 collaboration with the department of education and the
29 department of homeland security and emergency management, to
30 convene a task force to study and make recommendations related
31 to the safety and security standards of schools and school
32 infrastructure. The bill requires the task force to submit
33 its findings and recommendations to the general assembly on or
34 before December 31, 2024. The findings and recommendations are
35 required to include a proposal for modifications to the state

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