

New law creates the La. Sexual Assault Task Force within the Dept. of Justice, office of the attorney general. Provides for a membership of 25 members. Provides that the attorney general shall serve as chairman. Provides for a listing of issues that the task force shall study, including but not limited to investigation issues, procedures used in obtaining and analyzing sexual assault evidence, and training requirements for law enforcement officers and others in sexual assault cases.

Requires the task force to report its findings and recommendations to the governor, the president of the Senate, and the speaker of the House of Representatives not later than July 1, 2005. Provides that the task force shall terminate 60 days after its report of findings has been submitted.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 24, 2004).

(Adds R.S. 15:555 and 556)