

REFERENCE TITLE: **organized retail theft task force**

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Introduced by
Senator Gray L

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT TASK FORCE.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Organized retail theft task force: powers and duties

3 A. The organized retail theft task force is established. The task
4 force shall consist of eleven members who are appointed in the following
5 manner:

6 1. Two police chiefs who are appointed by the Arizona chiefs' of
7 police association, one of whom represents a city or town with a population
8 of one hundred thousand or more persons and one of whom represents a city or
9 town with a population of less than one hundred thousand persons, or their
10 designees.

11 2. Two sheriffs who are appointed by the Arizona sheriffs'
12 association, one of whom represents a county with a population of five
13 hundred thousand or more persons and one of whom represents a county with a
14 population of less than five hundred thousand persons, or their designees.

15 3. The director of the department of public safety or the director's
16 designee.

17 4. Two county attorneys who are appointed by the executive director of
18 the Arizona prosecuting attorneys' advisory council, one of whom represents a
19 county with a population of one million or more persons and one of whom
20 represents a county with a population of less than one million persons, or
21 their designees.

22 5. Four persons actively engaged in retail business in this state, two
23 of whom are appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and two
24 of whom are appointed by the president of the senate.

25 B. Task force members are not eligible to receive compensation but are
26 eligible for reimbursement of expenses pursuant to title 38, chapter 4,
27 article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes.

28 C. The task force shall:

29 1. Determine the scope of the problem of organized retail theft,
30 including particular areas of this state where the problem is greatest.

31 2. Analyze the various methods of combating the problem of organized
32 retail theft.

33 3. Facilitate this state's communication with the federal organized
34 retail theft task force created within the federal bureau of investigation.

35 4. Secure funding, if made available by the federal government to this
36 state's law enforcement agencies for the purpose of fighting organized retail
37 theft.

38 5. On or before December 1, 2008, report its findings and
39 recommendations to the legislature.

40 Sec. 2. Delayed repeal

41 This act is repealed from and after September 30, 2009.