

Substitute Senate Bill No. 1003

Public Act No. 17-87

AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO VARIOUS STATUTES CONCERNING THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Sec. 8. Section 2 of public act 11-252, as amended by section 3 of public act 12-111 and section 11 of public act 14-233, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) There is established an Eyewitness Identification and Emerging Technologies Task Force to [study issues concerning eyewitness identification in criminal investigations and the use of sequential live and photo lineups. The task force shall examine: (1) The science of sequential methods of conducting a live lineup and a photo lineup, (2) the use of sequential lineups in other states, (3) the practical implications of a state law mandating sequential lineups, and (4) such other topics as the task force deems appropriate relating to eyewitness identification and the provision of sequential lineups] assist the Police Officer Standards and Training Council and the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection in the development of policies and guidelines for law enforcement agencies concerning (1) eyewitness identification procedures, (2) the use of other emerging technologies to promote effective law enforcement and preventive measures to preclude the use of such technologies for criminal purposes, and (3) such other topics related to eyewitness identification and emerging technologies as the task force deems appropriate.

- (b) The task force shall consist of the following members or their designees: The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly on the judiciary; the Chief State's Attorney; the Chief Public Defender; the Victim Advocate; an active or retired judge appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; a municipal police chief appointed by the president of the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association; the director of the Division of Scientific Services within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; a representative of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council; a representative of the State Police Training School appointed by the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection; a representative of the criminal defense bar appointed by the president of the Connecticut Criminal Defense Lawyers Association; a representative from the Connecticut Innocence Project; and six public members, including the dean of a law school located in this state and a social scientist, appointed one each by the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of the Senate, the majority leader of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate, and the minority leader of the House of Representatives.
- (c) The task force may solicit and accept gifts, donations, grants or funds from any public or private source to assist the task force in carrying out its duties.
- (d) The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly on the judiciary in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes [not later than April 1, 2012] as the task force deems appropriate.
- (e) After submitting the report required under subsection (d) of this section, the task force shall continue in existence for the purpose of (1) assisting the Police Officer Standards and Training Council and the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection in the development of policies and guidelines for the conducting of eyewitness identification procedures by law enforcement agencies as required by subsection (b) of section 54-1p of the general statutes, (2) researching and evaluating best practices in the conducting of eyewitness identification procedures as such practices may change from time to time, and recommending such revised best practices to the Police Officer Standards and Training Council and the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, (3) collecting statistics concerning the conducting of eyewitness identification procedures by law enforcement agencies, and (4) monitoring the implementation of section 54-1p of the general statutes. The task force shall report the results of such monitoring, including any recommendations for proposed legislation, to the joint standing

committee of the General Assembly on the judiciary in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes not later than February 5, 2014.

(f) After submitting the report required under subsection (e) of this section, the task force may continue in existence until June 30, 2016, for the purpose set forth in subdivision (3) of subsection (e) of this section, to collect and assist in the archiving of eyewitness identification procedures used by law enforcement agencies in this state, and to consider best practices in eyewitness identification procedures adopted by law enforcement agencies in other states, provided members of the task force and advisors to the task force shall receive no compensation for their services.]

Sec. 9. Section 51-279e of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2017*)

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