Research Analysis

HB 2946 creates the Oklahoma Community Policing Standards Task Force. The nine member task force is to review laws, practices and training programs regarding the use of deadly force in Oklahoma; review current policies, practices and tools used by or otherwise available to law enforcement as an alternative to lethal uses of force, including electroshock weapons and other nonlethal weapons; and recommend best practices to reduce the number of violent interactions between law enforcement officers and members of the public. The must complete its study by December 31, 2022.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2946 in its current form, creates the Oklahoma Community Policing Standards Task Force, the membership of which would include members and appointments from the following agencies: the Office of the Governor (1), the Oklahoma House of Representatives (3), the Oklahoma State Senate (3), the Office of the Attorney General (1), and the District Attorneys Council (1). The measure provides that such members shall receive travel reimbursements. The measure also provides that staffing assistance to the Task Force shall be provided by the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the Oklahoma State Senate.

The Office of the Governor, the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the Oklahoma State Senate, the Office of the Attorney General, and the District Attorneys Council will experience costs related to the reimbursement of travel expenses provided by HB 2946. The Oklahoma House of Representatives and the Oklahoma State Senate will experience costs associated with additional staff effort requirements related to the staffing requirements provided by HB 2946. All such costs are estimated to be minimal.

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Other Considerations

None.