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## OLR Bill Analysis

### sSB 1504

#### ***AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE-WIDE FIREARMS CRIMES AND TRACING TASK FORCE.***

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill renames the state police's statewide firearms trafficking task force as the statewide firearms crimes and tracing task force and requires it to annually report on certain related matters. Under existing law, this task force's charge is the cooperative enforcement of the state's firearms distribution and possession laws. It consists of local and state law enforcement officers and may also include federal officers.

By law, the task force's responsibilities include, among other things, (1) identifying people illegally trafficking in firearms and focusing resources to prosecute them and (2) tracking illegally sold or distributed firearms and implementing strategies to take them from illegal possessors. The bill requires the task force, starting by February 1, 2026, to annually report to the governor and Judiciary and Public Safety and Security committees on (1) the number of traffickers identified and arrested, (2) the number of trafficked firearms seized, (3) any of the task force's other activities during the prior year, and (4) any resources it needs to continue to perform its duties.

Lastly, the bill makes minor, technical, and conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 41      Nay 0      (04/07/2025)