## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center 89R21823 MCK-F H.B. 101 By: Guillen (King) Veteran Affairs 5/22/2025 Engrossed

## **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

H.B. 101 amends current law relating to creating the Texas State Guard Professionalization Task Force.

## **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

## **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter G, Chapter 437, Government Code, by adding Section 437.311, as follows:

Sec. 437.311. TEXAS STATE GUARD PROFESSIONALIZATION TASK FORCE. (a) Creates the Texas State Guard Professionalization Task Force (task force) to advise the adjutant general on the professionalization of the Texas State Guard.

- (b) Provides that the task force is composed of six individuals meeting certain criteria.
- (c) Provides that the adjutant general or the adjutant general's designee is the chair of the task force.
- (d) Requires the task force to meet at the call of the chair as often as necessary to perform the task force's duties.
- (e) Requires the task force to:
  - (1) examine the state missions and operations of the Texas State Guard using statistical analyses and data received from focus groups and other research methods, including identifying the short- and long-term critical state missions and operations needs of the Texas State Guard;
  - (2) identify any existing and potential challenges and threats to the Texas State Guard's operations, including critical infrastructure;
  - (3) develop solutions to overcome the challenges and threats identified under Subdivision (2);
  - (4) develop strategies to professionalize the Texas State Guard and develop the capabilities of the Texas State Guard that are consistent with the findings and determinations made under this subsection;
  - (5) recommend to the adjutant general and the governor policy priorities to address the long-term needs identified under Subdivision (1) and the solutions developed under Subdivision (3) and policy priorities and budgetary needs to implement those solutions; and

- (6) advise the adjutant general and the governor regarding the staffing, facilities, equipment, and technology needed to implement the strategies developed under Subdivision (4).
- (f) Requires the task force, not later than August 31, 2026, to submit a report to the adjutant general and the governor that contains the task force's findings and recommendations described by Subsection (e)(5).
- (g) Provides that this section expires September 1, 2026.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2025.