

Yet, the final sentence of this recommendation states that: "This review is not intended to reduce the total number of sworn OSP personnel." One might question, if the review by the Superintendent concludes that a job currently performed by a sworn officer could be as effectively performed by a civilian employee, then why should the sworn officer's position not be abolished?

POSSIBLE ISSUES NOT INCLUDED IN THE FINAL REPORT THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED

A number of issues raised by the Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association were not included in the report that are worthy of additional review. In all cases, we believe these are issues that are directly within the charge by the Task Force. These issues potentially address increased operational efficiency; may involve overlapping functions; and, may provide opportunities for greater coordination and collaboration with other state entities and local law enforcement agencies. Following is a list of these issues which were rejected by a majority of the Task Force, with opposition from the Ohio State Highway Patrol:

- A recommendation to review of the possibility of the consolidation or greater collaboration between the OSP Academy with Ohio Peace Officers Training Commission (OPOTC).
- A recommendation to investigate opportunities to merge LEADS and OHLEG and other state data repositories using the SEARCH report generated several months ago.
- A recommendation to review opportunities to consolidate dispatching services with local agencies that have this service available in each county.
- A recommendation that the OSHP Computer Crimes Unit should be reviewed to allow for enhanced collaboration and/or consolidation with BCI&I.
- A recommendation to better coordinate the use of the OSHP Caravan aircraft, with its surveillance ability, with Ohio Homeland Security for real time information in the event of a man made or natural disaster.
- A recommendation to review opportunities to better collaborate or consolidate the OSHP Investigative Operations with BCI&I.
- A recommendation to investigate opportunities to merge the OSHP Crime Lab with BCI&I lab services or to enhance collaboration and cooperation.
- A recommendation for the Colonel of the Ohio State Highway Patrol to review the Polygraph services of OSHP and BCI&I.
- A recommendation for the Ohio General Assembly to review the OSHP Criminal Intelligence Unit and look toward the consolidation of all criminal Intelligence Units within state government.

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