HB 2049 -- Eyewitness Evidence in Criminal Investigations

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This bill establishes a task force to develop guidelines for policies, procedures, and training regarding the collection and handling of eyewitness evidence in criminal investigations by law enforcement agencies. The task force will include the Attorney General or his or her designee, the Director of the Office of the State Public Defender or his or her designee, the Executive Director of the Office of Prosecutorial Services or his or her designee, two members of the Senate, and two members of the House of Representatives. The task force must submit a report on the guidelines developed and recommendations concerning their use by April 1, 2009, to the Governor, Chief Justice of the Missouri Supreme Court, and the standing committees of the General Assembly on criminal law.