

1-1 By: Creighton S.B. No. 1475
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 2, 2023; March 16, 2023, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Education; April 18, 2023,
 1-4 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0;
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1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7	X			
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1-20	X			

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to licensure and training requirements for school
 1-24 marshals.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Section 37.0811(f), Education Code, is amended
 1-27 to read as follows:

1-28 (f) A school district or charter school employee's status as
 1-29 a school marshal becomes inactive on:

1-30 (1) expiration of the employee's school marshal
 1-31 license under Section 1701.260, Occupations Code;

1-32 (2) suspension or revocation of the employee's license
 1-33 to carry a handgun issued under Subchapter H, Chapter 411,
 1-34 Government Code, if the employee is required to hold that license as
 1-35 a condition of the employee's school marshal license under Section
 1-36 1701.260, Occupations Code;

1-37 (3) termination of the employee's employment with the
 1-38 district or charter school; or

1-39 (4) notice from the board of trustees of the district
 1-40 or the governing body of the charter school that the employee's
 1-41 services as school marshal are no longer required.

1-42 SECTION 2. Section 37.0813(f), Education Code, is amended
 1-43 to read as follows:

1-44 (f) A private school employee's status as a school marshal
 1-45 becomes inactive on:

1-46 (1) expiration of the employee's school marshal
 1-47 license under Section 1701.260, Occupations Code;

1-48 (2) suspension or revocation of the employee's license
 1-49 to carry a handgun issued under Subchapter H, Chapter 411,
 1-50 Government Code, if the employee is required to hold that license as
 1-51 a condition of the employee's school marshal license under Section
 1-52 1701.260, Occupations Code;

1-53 (3) termination of the employee's employment with the
 1-54 private school; or

1-55 (4) notice from the governing body that the employee's
 1-56 services as school marshal are no longer required.

1-57 SECTION 3. Section 51.220(g), Education Code, is amended to
 1-58 read as follows:

1-59 (g) A public junior college employee's status as a school
 1-60 marshal becomes inactive on:

1-61 (1) expiration of the employee's school marshal
 1-62 license under Section 1701.260, Occupations Code;

1-63 (2) suspension or revocation of the employee's license

2-1 to carry a concealed handgun issued under Subchapter H, Chapter
2-2 411, Government Code, if the employee is required to hold that
2-3 license as a condition of the employee's school marshal license
2-4 under Section 1701.260, Occupations Code;

2-5 (3) termination of the employee's employment with the
2-6 public junior college; or

2-7 (4) notice from the governing board of the public
2-8 junior college that the employee's services as school marshal are
2-9 no longer required.

2-10 SECTION 4. Subchapter C, Chapter 96, Education Code, is
2-11 amended by adding Section 96.42 to read as follows:

2-12 Sec. 96.42. CERTAIN REQUIRED TRAINING PROVIDED BY ADVANCED
2-13 LAW ENFORCEMENT RAPID RESPONSE TRAINING CENTER. The Advanced Law
2-14 Enforcement Rapid Response Training Center at Texas State
2-15 University--San Marcos shall offer to a person participating in a
2-16 school marshal training program under Section 1701.260,
2-17 Occupations Code, a course of instruction designed to prepare the
2-18 person to isolate, distract, and neutralize an active shooter.

2-19 SECTION 5. Section 1701.260, Occupations Code, is amended
2-20 by amending Subsections (a), (a-1), and (i) and adding Subsections
2-21 (a-2) and (c-1) to read as follows:

2-22 (a) The commission shall establish and maintain a training
2-23 program open to any employee of a school district, open-enrollment
2-24 charter school, private school, or public junior college who:

2-25 (1) holds a license to carry a handgun issued under
2-26 Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code;

2-27 (2) is a retired peace officer, as defined by Section
2-28 1701.3161; or

2-29 (3) is an honorably discharged veteran of the armed
2-30 forces of the United States.

2-31 (a-1) The training under the training program may be
2-32 conducted only by the commission staff or a provider approved by the
2-33 commission.

2-34 (a-2) [~~(a-1)~~] In this section, "private school" has the
2-35 meaning assigned by Article 2.127, Code of Criminal Procedure.

2-36 (c-1) For the instruction required under Subsection (c)(5),
2-37 the commission shall require a trainee to complete a course of
2-38 instruction offered by the Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response
2-39 Training Center at Texas State University--San Marcos that is
2-40 designed to prepare the trainee to isolate, distract, and
2-41 neutralize an active shooter.

2-42 (i) The commission shall revoke the [~~a person's~~] school
2-43 marshal license of a person described by Subsection (a)(1) if the
2-44 commission is notified by the Department of Public Safety that the
2-45 person's license to carry a handgun issued under Subchapter H,
2-46 Chapter 411, Government Code, has been suspended or revoked. A
2-47 person whose school marshal license is revoked may obtain
2-48 recertification by:

2-49 (1) furnishing proof to the commission that the
2-50 person's handgun license has been reinstated; and

2-51 (2) completing the initial training under Subsection
2-52 (c) to the satisfaction of the commission staff, paying the fee for
2-53 the training, and demonstrating psychological fitness on the
2-54 psychological examination described in Subsection (d).

2-55 SECTION 6. Not later than April 1, 2024, the Texas
2-56 Commission on Law Enforcement shall:

2-57 (1) develop a school marshal training program under
2-58 Section 1701.260, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, that
2-59 may be offered over a number of consecutive Saturdays during a
2-60 school year; and

2-61 (2) subject to the availability of funding, authorize
2-62 two additional providers to offer school marshal training programs
2-63 under Section 1701.260, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act,
2-64 in areas of this state in which those programs are not offered on or
2-65 before the effective date of this Act.

2-66 SECTION 7. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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