

The House Committee on Public Education

85th Legislature

June 27, 2018

10:00 a.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on June 14, 2018, revised on June 21, 2018, the House Committee on Public Education met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Huberty, at 10:07 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Huberty; Bernal; Allen; Bohac; Deshotel; Dutton; King, Ken; Koop; Meyer; and VanDeaver.

A quorum was present.

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The committee considered interim charges related to school safety.

The charges are listed below:

- Review the effectiveness of schools' current multi-hazard emergency operation plans. Determine any areas of deficiency and make recommendations to ensure student safety. Research violence prevention strategies, such as threat assessment, that are available for school personnel to identify students who might pose a threat to themselves or others. Identify resources and training available to schools to help them develop intervention plans that address the underlying problems that caused the threatening behavior.
- Examine current school facilities and grounds. Consider any research-based 'best practices' when designing a school to provide a more secure environment. Review the effectiveness of installing metal detectors, cameras, safety locks, streaming video of school security cameras, and other measures designed to improve school safety.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Bernal in chair.)

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(Representative Huberty in chair.)

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At 7:26 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Huberty, Chair

Amy Peterson, Clerk