

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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

In the aftermath of recent school shootings, it is critical that schools prepare for such an event before it occurs. Unfortunately, some school districts may not have incorporated a specific policy into their required multihazard emergency operations plan.

H.B. 2195 would require a public school district to include in its multihazard emergency operations plan a policy for responding to an active shooter emergency and would authorize the district to use any available community resources in developing the policy.

H.B. 2195 amends current law relating to an active shooter emergency policy for school districts and required active shooter training for school district peace officers and school resource officers.

### **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 Section 37.108, Education Code, by adding Subsection (f), as follows:

(f) Requires a school district to include in its multihazard emergency operations plan a policy for responding to an active shooter emergency. Authorizes the school district to use any available community resources in developing the policy described by this subsection.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 37.0812, Education Code, as follows:

Sec. 37.0812. TRAINING POLICY: SCHOOL DISTRICT PEACE OFFICERS AND SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS. (a) Requires a school district peace officer or school resource officer to complete an active shooter response training program approved by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE).

(b) Creates this subsection from existing text and makes no further changes to this subsection.

SECTION 3. Requires TCOLE, as soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, to approve an active shooter response training program required under Section 37.0812, Education Code, as amended by this Act.

SECTION 4. Requires a school district peace officer or school resource officer who begins employment with or begins providing law enforcement at a school district on a date occurring before the effective date of this Act to complete the training required by Section 37.0812, Education Code, as amended by this Act, as soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act but not later than August 31, 2020.

SECTION 5. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2019.