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Duty (4): Evaluate the ongoing and long-term workforce needs of the state related to cybersecurity, mental health, law enforcement, and related professionals;

Cybersecurity:

No comment

Mental Health:

No comment

Law Enforcement:

Focus law enforcement resources on violent crimes – not on-paper crimes like marijuana or other drug possession or speeding. Investigate leads on potentially violent offenders. Respect the rights of suspects.

Related Professionals: Schools

If Texas is going to continue to educate children they should teach gun safety, gun laws, and gun operation and marksmanship. This should reduce instances of kids playing with guns and accidentally shooting themselves or others. The curiosity element will be gone. They will have a respect for the danger associated with these tools and will be careful with them.

Texas needs to encourage and promote personal responsibility in all aspects of life including self-defense. The more Texans who are armed and prepared for response to threats the less successful bad actors will be. If bad actors know their targets are not defenseless they will be less inclined to commit violence.