## Response to the House of Representatives Notice of Formal Request for Information

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Do not allow the reduction of law enforcement in our cities or anywhere in the state. "Re-imaging" law enforcement is a farce to promote lawlessness and foment unrest for political reasons.

Enhancing law enforcement's ability through additional hiring (especially along the Texas – Mexico border) and improvements in equipment i.e. drones, armored personal carriers, night vision, etc. must be an on going and continuous process. As criminals become more sophisticated, so must law enforcement. Social media should be investigated as part of any investigation of who and what.

It should always be an option to employ state level law enforcement such as the Department of Public Safety and/or Texas rangers to protect citizens of Texas living in Texas. Failure by city governments to prevent riots, vandalism, and murder should never stand in the way of State Law enforcement.

## Duty #1 Response:

Current laws for enforcement measures for prevention of the transfer of firearms to felons and other prohibited persons appear to work well. There is of course no perfect solution. Laws such as the "Ref Flag" laws open the door for many abuses and harm to innocent citizens.

Reg Flag laws would allow an individual to deprive another of self-protection, recreational shooting, and hunting rights just by accusation. This approach deprives us all of due process.