

**The House Committee on Mass Violence Prevention & Community Safety,
Select**

86th Legislature

October 10, 2019

9:00 a.m.

Farmers Branch, Texas (see details below)

CORRECTED MINUTES

On November 7, 2019, the House Committee on Mass Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Select authorized the correction of the minutes for the meeting of the House Committee on Mass Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Select held on October 10, 2019. The following are the corrected minutes for that meeting:

Pursuant to a notice posted on September 30, 2019, the House Committee on Mass Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Select met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Darby, at 9:02 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Darby; Blanco; Capriglione; Geren; Johnson, Julie; Landgraf; Lang; Morrison; Price; and Walle.

A quorum was present.

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The committee met at Brookhaven College, Building C, Performance Hall, located at 3939 Valley View Lane, Farmers Branch, Texas 75244.

Representative Meyer and Representative Collier were also in attendance.

The chair made opening remarks.

(Representative Moody now present.)

(Representative Gervin-Hawkins now present.)

(Representative Nevárez now present.)

The committee heard invited testimony on the following duty:

(3) examine the role of digital media and technology in threat detection, assessment, reporting, and prevention, including the collaboration between digital media and law enforcement;

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

(Representative Nevárez in chair.)

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(Representative Darby in chair.)

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

The committee heard public testimony on the following duties:

(1) examine options for strengthening enforcement measures for current laws that prevent the transfer of firearms to felons and other persons prohibited by current law from possessing firearms;

(2) examine impediments and challenges to the timely reporting of relevant criminal history information and other threat indicators to state and federal databases;

(3) examine the role of digital media and technology in threat detection, assessment, reporting, and prevention, including the collaboration between digital media and law enforcement;

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

(5) evaluate current protocols and extreme risk indicators used to identify potential threats and consider options for improving the dissemination of information between federal, state, and local entities and timely and appropriate intervention of mental health professionals.

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

At 3:58 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Darby, Chair

Laramie Stroud, Clerk