

**MINUTES**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON MASS VIOLENCE PREVENTION & COMMUNITY  
SAFETY, SELECT**

Thursday, October 17, 2019

2:00 PM

Odessa College - Deaderick Hall, Odessa, Texas

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Mass Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Select was held on Thursday, October 17, 2019, in the Odessa College - Deaderick Hall, Odessa, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair  
Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair  
Senator Donna Campbell  
Senator Jane Nelson  
Senator Charles Perry  
Senator José Rodríguez  
Senator Larry Taylor  
Senator John Whitmire

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Kelly Hancock

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:08 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Other members attending: Senator Kel Seliger.

The Chair made opening remarks and recognized Senator Seliger for an introductory statement.

The Chair called the following panels to provide invited testimony (see attached witness list).

The following witnesses testified and registered on the following interim charge (see attached witness list):

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*Learn firsthand, the personal, family, and community impact of mass shootings in Texas by hearing from victims of mass violence in Dallas, Santa Fe, Sutherland Springs, El Paso, and Midland/Odessa. Conduct hearings in Austin, El Paso, and the Midland/Odessa area to meet with victims and their families in those communities.*

The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 8:26 PM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the Chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

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Sean Opperman, Committee Director