By: Dorazio H.B. No. 1064

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the provision of private security services at a public
3	primary or secondary school; requiring an occupational license.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Section 37.081(a), Education Code, is amended to
6	read as follows:
7	(a) The board of trustees of any school district may:
8	(1) employ or contract with security personnel;
9	(2) enter into a memorandum of understanding with a
10	local law enforcement agency or a county or municipality that is the
11	employing political subdivision of commissioned peace officers for
12	the provision of school resource officers;
13	(3) for the purposes of providing security personnel,
14	contract with a security services contractor licensed under Chapter
15	1702, Occupations Code, for the provision of a school security
16	officer licensed under Subchapter I-1, Chapter 1702, Occupations
17	<pre>Code [commissioned security officer, as defined by Section</pre>
18	1702.002, Occupations Code, who has completed the Level II or III
19	training course required by the Department of Public Safety]; and
20	(4) commission peace officers to carry out this
21	subchapter.
22	SECTION 2. Section 37.0814(d), Education Code, is amended

23 to read as follows:

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(d) The board of trustees of a school district that claims a

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- 1 good cause exception under Subsection (c) must develop an
- 2 alternative standard with which the district is able to comply,
- 3 which may include providing a person to act as a security officer
- 4 who is:
- 5 (1) a school security officer licensed under
- 6 Subchapter I-1, Chapter 1702, Occupations Code;
- 7 <u>(2)</u> a school marshal; or
- 8 $\underline{(3)}$ [(2)] a school district employee [or a person with
- 9 whom the district contracts] who:
- 10 (A) has completed school safety training
- 11 provided by a qualified handgun instructor certified in school
- 12 safety under Section 411.1901, Government Code; and
- 13 (B) carries a handgun on school premises in
- 14 accordance with written regulations or written authorization of the
- 15 district under Section 46.03(a)(1)(A), Penal Code.
- 16 SECTION 3. Subchapter C, Chapter 96, Education Code, is
- 17 amended by adding Section 96.42 to read as follows:
- 18 Sec. 96.42. CERTAIN REQUIRED TRAINING PROVIDED BY ADVANCED
- 19 LAW ENFORCEMENT RAPID RESPONSE TRAINING CENTER. The Advanced Law
- 20 Enforcement Rapid Response Training Center at Texas State
- 21 University--San Marcos shall permit a person who applies for a
- 22 school security officer license under Section 1702.213,
- 23 Occupations Code, to enroll in the Solo Officer Rapid Deployment
- 24 and the Level I training courses offered by the center, or in a
- 25 <u>substantially similar course offered by the center, in the same</u>
- 26 manner as the center permits a peace officer to enroll in the
- 27 course.

1 SECTION 4. Chapter 1702, Occupations Code, is amended by 2 adding Subchapter I-1 to read as follows: 3 SUBCHAPTER I-1. SCHOOL SECURITY OFFICER 4 Sec. 1702.211. SCHOOL SECURITY OFFICER LICENSE REQUIRED. 5 An individual may not act as a school security officer unless the 6 individual holds a school security officer license. 7 Sec. 1702.212. SCHOOL SECURITY OFFICER. An individual acts 8 as a school security officer if the individual is employed by or contracted through a company licensed under this chapter to provide 9 services described by Section 1702.202 or 1702.222 on the premises 10 of a public primary or secondary school. 11 Sec. 1702.213. APPLICATION; LICENSE QUALIFICATIONS. 12 (a) An applicant for a school security officer license must submit a 13 14 written application on a form prescribed by the commission. 15 (b) An applicant for a school security officer license must provide proof that the applicant: 16 17 (1) has been issued a security officer commission or a personal protection officer license; 18 19 (2) is employed at the time of application by a security services contractor licensed by the department; and 20 21 (3) has completed: 22 (A) the training course described by Section 23 96.42, Education Code; 24 (B) the training required for a school district 25 peace officer or a school resource officer under Section 1701.263;

(C) the training described by Section 1702.214.

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- 1 Sec. 1702.214. SCHOOL SECURITY OFFICER TRAINING. The
- 2 commission shall establish the minimum curriculum requirements for
- 3 a school-based security response course and establish minimum
- 4 qualifications for instructors to provide the training.
- 5 Sec. 1702.215. CONTINUING EDUCATION; RENEWAL. The
- 6 commission shall establish minimum continuing education
- 7 requirements for a school security officer license. The
- 8 requirements must include the training content and frequency
- 9 required for a school district peace officer or school resource
- officer under Section 37.0812(a), Education Code.
- 11 Sec. 1702.216. ENROLLMENT IN TRAINING COURSE REQUIRED. The
- 12 provider of a training course required for the issuance or renewal
- 13 of a school security officer license shall permit a person to enroll
- 14 in the course if the person has applied for the issuance or renewal
- 15 of the license.
- SECTION 5. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this
- 17 section, this Act takes effect September 1, 2025.
- 18 (b) Section 1702.211, Occupations Code, as added by this
- 19 Act, takes effect September 1, 2026.