

**SENATE AMENDMENTS**  
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H.B. No. 121

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to measures for ensuring public school safety, including the commissioning of peace officers by the Texas Education Agency, the composition of the board of directors of the Texas School Safety Center, public school safety and security requirements and resources, and the reporting of child abuse or neglect by public school employees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to conform to Section 2, Chapter 624 (H.B. 4372), Section 1, Chapter 870 (H.B. 3981), Section 1, Chapter 950 (S.B. 1727), and Section 1, Chapter 984 (S.B. 2612), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, and is further amended to read as follows:

Art. 2A.001. PEACE OFFICERS GENERALLY. The following are peace officers:

(1) a sheriff, a sheriff's deputy, or a reserve deputy sheriff who holds a permanent peace officer license issued under Chapter 1701, Occupations Code;

(2) a constable, a deputy constable, or a reserve deputy constable who holds a permanent peace officer license issued under Chapter 1701, Occupations Code;

(3) a marshal or police officer of a municipality or a reserve municipal police officer who holds a permanent peace officer license issued under Chapter 1701, Occupations Code;

1           (4) a ranger, officer, or member of the reserve  
2 officer corps commissioned by the Public Safety Commission and the  
3 director of the Department of Public Safety;

4           (5) an investigator of a district attorney's, criminal  
5 district attorney's, or county attorney's office;

6           (6) a law enforcement agent of the Texas Alcoholic  
7 Beverage Commission;

8           (7) a member of an arson investigating unit  
9 commissioned by a municipality, a county, or the state;

10           (8) an officer commissioned under Section 37.081 or  
11 37.0818, Education Code, or Subchapter E, Chapter 51, Education  
12 Code;

13           (9) an officer commissioned by the Texas Facilities  
14 Commission;

15           (10) a law enforcement officer commissioned by the  
16 Parks and Wildlife Commission;

17           (11) an officer commissioned under Chapter 23,  
18 Transportation Code;

19           (12) a municipal park and recreational patrol officer  
20 or security officer;

21           (13) a security officer or investigator commissioned  
22 as a peace officer by the comptroller;

23           (14) an officer commissioned by a water control and  
24 improvement district under Section 49.216, Water Code;

25           (15) an officer commissioned by a board of trustees  
26 under Chapter 54, Transportation Code;

27           (16) an investigator commissioned by the Texas Medical

1 Board;

2 (17) an officer commissioned by:

3 (A) the board of managers of the Dallas County  
4 Hospital District, the Tarrant County Hospital District, the Bexar  
5 County Hospital District, or the El Paso County Hospital District  
6 under Section 281.057, Health and Safety Code;

7 (B) the board of directors of the Ector County  
8 Hospital District under Section 1024.117, Special District Local  
9 Laws Code;

10 (C) the board of directors of the Midland County  
11 Hospital District of Midland County, Texas, under Section 1061.121,  
12 Special District Local Laws Code; or

13 (D) the board of hospital managers of the Lubbock  
14 County Hospital District of Lubbock County, Texas, under Section  
15 1053.113, Special District Local Laws Code;

16 (18) a county park ranger commissioned under  
17 Subchapter E, Chapter 351, Local Government Code;

18 (19) an investigator employed by the Texas Racing  
19 Commission;

20 (20) an officer commissioned under Chapter 554,  
21 Occupations Code;

22 (21) an officer commissioned by the governing body of  
23 a metropolitan rapid transit authority under Section 451.108,  
24 Transportation Code, or a regional transportation authority under  
25 Section 452.110, Transportation Code;

26 (22) an investigator commissioned by the attorney  
27 general under Section 402.009, Government Code;

1           (23) a security officer or investigator commissioned  
2 as a peace officer under Chapter 466, Government Code;

3           (24) an officer appointed by an appellate court under  
4 Subchapter F, Chapter 53, Government Code;

5           (25) an officer commissioned by the state fire marshal  
6 under Chapter 417, Government Code;

7           (26) an investigator commissioned by the commissioner  
8 of insurance under Section 701.104, Insurance Code;

9           (27) an officer appointed by the inspector general of  
10 ~~[apprehension specialist or inspector general commissioned by]~~ the  
11 Texas Juvenile Justice Department ~~[as an officer]~~ under Section  
12 242.102 ~~[or 243.052]~~, Human Resources Code;

13           (28) an officer appointed by the inspector general of  
14 the Texas Department of Criminal Justice under Section 493.019,  
15 Government Code;

16           (29) an investigator commissioned by the Texas  
17 Commission on Law Enforcement under Section 1701.160, Occupations  
18 Code;

19           (30) a fire marshal or any related officer, inspector,  
20 or investigator commissioned by a county under Subchapter B,  
21 Chapter 352, Local Government Code;

22           (31) a fire marshal or any officer, inspector, or  
23 investigator commissioned by an emergency services district under  
24 Chapter 775, Health and Safety Code;

25           (32) a fire marshal or any officer, inspector, or  
26 investigator of a municipality who holds a permanent peace officer  
27 license issued under Chapter 1701, Occupations Code;

1           (33) an officer commissioned by the State Board of  
2 Dental Examiners under Section 254.013, Occupations Code, subject  
3 to the limitations imposed by that section; ~~[and]~~

4           (34) ~~[(33)]~~ an Alamo complex ranger commissioned by  
5 the General Land Office under Section 31.0515, Natural Resources  
6 Code, subject to the limitations imposed by that section; and

7           (35) an officer commissioned by the Texas Education  
8 Agency as an officer under Section 37.1031, Education Code  
9 ~~[investigator commissioned by the Texas Juvenile Justice~~  
10 ~~Department as an officer under Section 221.011, Human Resources~~  
11 ~~Code]~~.

12           SECTION 2. Section 7.021, Education Code, is amended by  
13 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

14           (d) The agency may commission peace officers as provided by  
15 Section 37.1031 to enforce Subchapter D, Chapter 37.

16           SECTION 3. Section 37.0814, Education Code, is amended by  
17 amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (d-1) to read as  
18 follows:

19           (d) The board of trustees of a school district that claims a  
20 good cause exception under Subsection (c) must develop an  
21 alternative standard with which the district is able to comply,  
22 which may include providing a person to act as a security officer  
23 who is:

24                   (1) a school marshal; or

25                   (2) a school district employee or a person with whom  
26 the district contracts who:

27                           (A) either:

1           (i) has completed school safety training  
2 provided by a qualified handgun instructor certified in school  
3 safety under Section 411.1901, Government Code; or

4           (ii) not later than the 180th day after the  
5 date on which the employee or person begins duties as a security  
6 officer, completes training deemed appropriate by the district, in  
7 consultation with the district's police department, or, if the  
8 district does not have a police department, a local law enforcement  
9 agency, in:

10           (a) active shooter response, which  
11 must be provided by an instructor certified by the Advanced Law  
12 Enforcement Rapid Response Training Center at Texas State  
13 University--San Marcos;

14           (b) school safety and emergency  
15 management;

16           (c) crisis intervention;

17           (d) incident command;

18           (e) first aid administration;

19           (f) mental health; and

20           (g) qualifications relating to the  
21 carrying or use of a firearm; and

22           (B) carries a handgun on school premises in  
23 accordance with written regulations or written authorization of the  
24 district under Section 46.03(a)(1)(A), Penal Code.

25           (d-1) A good cause exception claimed by the board of  
26 trustees of a school district under Subsection (c) expires on the  
27 first anniversary of the date the exception is claimed. On the

expiration of the exception, the board must reevaluate whether the board is able to comply with this section and, if not, renew:

(1) the claim for an exception under Subsection (c);  
and

(2) the alternative standard developed under Subsection (d).

SECTION 4. Subchapter D, Chapter 37, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 37.1031 to read as follows:

Sec. 37.1031. AGENCY PEACE OFFICERS. (a) The agency may commission as a peace officer to enforce this subchapter an employee who has been certified as qualified to be a peace officer by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

(b) An employee commissioned as a peace officer under this section has the powers, privileges, and immunities of a peace officer while carrying out duties as a peace officer under this subchapter.

SECTION 5. Section 37.108, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a), (c), and (f) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a) Each school district or public junior college district shall adopt and implement a multihazard emergency operations plan for use in the district's facilities. The plan must address prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery as defined by the Texas School Safety Center in conjunction with the governor's office of homeland security, the commissioner of education, and the commissioner of higher education. The plan must provide for:

1           (1) training in responding to an emergency for  
2 district employees, including school district substitute teachers;

3           (2) measures to ensure district employees, including  
4 school district substitute teachers, have classroom access to a  
5 telephone, including a cellular telephone, or another electronic  
6 communication device allowing for immediate contact with district  
7 emergency services or emergency services agencies, law enforcement  
8 agencies, health departments, and fire departments;

9           (3) measures to ensure district communications  
10 technology and infrastructure are adequate to allow for  
11 communication during an emergency;

12           (4) if the plan applies to a school district,  
13 mandatory school drills and exercises, including drills required  
14 under Section 37.114, to prepare district students and employees  
15 for responding to an emergency;

16           (5) measures to ensure coordination with the  
17 Department of State Health Services and local emergency management  
18 agencies, law enforcement, health departments, and fire  
19 departments in the event of an emergency;

20           (6) the implementation of a safety and security audit  
21 as required by Subsection (b); and

22           (7) any other requirements established by the Texas  
23 School Safety Center in consultation with the agency and the Texas  
24 Higher Education Coordinating Board.

25           (a-1) The Texas School Safety Center shall provide to the  
26 superintendent of each school district and to the president of each  
27 public junior college district notice of the requirements



1 established under Subsection (a)(7) applicable to the district [~~and~~  
2 ~~relevant local law enforcement agencies~~].

3 (c) A school district or public junior college district  
4 shall report the results of the safety and security audit conducted  
5 under Subsection (b) to the district's board of trustees and, in the  
6 manner required by the Texas School Safety Center, to the Texas  
7 School Safety Center. The district must maintain a copy of the  
8 ~~[The] report [provided to the Texas School Safety Center under this~~  
9 ~~subsection must be]~~ signed by:

10 (1) for a school district, the district's board of  
11 trustees and superintendent; or

12 (2) for a public junior college district, the  
13 president of the junior college district.

14 (f) A school district shall include in its multihazard  
15 emergency operations plan:

16 (1) a chain of command that designates the individual  
17 responsible for making final decisions during a disaster or  
18 emergency situation and identifies other individuals responsible  
19 for making those decisions if the designated person is unavailable;

20 (2) provisions that address physical and  
21 psychological safety for responding to a natural disaster, active  
22 shooter, and any other dangerous scenario identified for purposes  
23 of this section by the agency or the Texas School Safety Center;

24 (3) provisions for ensuring the safety of students in  
25 portable buildings;

26 (4) provisions for ensuring that students and district  
27 personnel with disabilities are provided equal access to safety

1 during a disaster or emergency situation;

2 (5) provisions for providing immediate notification  
3 to parents, guardians, and other persons standing in parental  
4 relation in circumstances involving a significant threat to the  
5 health or safety of students, including identification of the  
6 individual with responsibility for overseeing the notification;

7 (6) provisions for supporting the psychological  
8 safety of students, district personnel, and the community during  
9 the response and recovery phase following a disaster or emergency  
10 situation that:

11 (A) are aligned with best practice-based  
12 programs and research-based practices recommended under Section  
13 38.351;

14 (B) include strategies for ensuring any required  
15 professional development training for suicide prevention and  
16 grief-informed and trauma-informed care is provided to appropriate  
17 school personnel;

18 (C) include training on integrating  
19 psychological safety and suicide prevention strategies into the  
20 district's plan, such as psychological first aid for schools  
21 training, from an approved list of recommended training established  
22 by the commissioner and Texas School Safety Center for:

23 (i) members of the district's school safety  
24 and security committee under Section 37.109;

25 (ii) district school counselors and mental  
26 health professionals; and

27 (iii) educators and other district

1 personnel as determined by the district;

2 (D) include strategies and procedures for  
3 integrating and supporting physical and psychological safety that  
4 align with the provisions described by Subdivision (2); and

5 (E) implement trauma-informed policies;

6 (7) a policy for providing a substitute teacher access  
7 to school campus buildings and materials necessary for the  
8 substitute teacher to carry out the duties of a district employee  
9 during an emergency or a mandatory emergency drill;

10 (8) provisions, as determined by the agency, for  
11 ensuring the safety of students, staff, and spectators during  
12 extracurricular activities sponsored or sanctioned by the  
13 district;

14 (9) the name of each individual on the district's  
15 school safety and security committee established under Section  
16 37.109 and the date of each committee meeting during the preceding  
17 year; and

18 (10) [(9)] certification that the district is in  
19 compliance with Section 37.117, as added by Chapter 896 (H.B. 3),  
20 Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023.

21 SECTION 6. Subchapter D, Chapter 37, Education Code, is  
22 amended by adding Section 37.1088 to read as follows:

23 Sec. 37.1088. AGENCY REPORT ON SCHOOL SAFETY. (a) Not  
24 later than December 31 of each year, the agency shall prepare and  
25 submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the  
26 house of representatives, and each standing committee of each house  
27 of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over primary and

1 secondary education, finance, and appropriations a report that  
2 includes the deidentified results of the vulnerability assessments  
3 and intruder detection audits conducted under Sections 37.1083 and  
4 37.1084 during the preceding year.

5 (b) The report under Subsection (a) must include  
6 recommendations and possible corrective actions for specific  
7 deficiencies in campus security identified at multiple school  
8 districts and open-enrollment charter schools.

9 SECTION 7. Section 37.115, Education Code, is amended by  
10 adding Subsection (d-1) and amending Subsection (h) to read as  
11 follows:

12 (d-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (d), if a student in a  
13 special education program under Subchapter A, Chapter 29, is the  
14 subject of a threat assessment under Subsection (f), the team  
15 conducting the threat assessment must include at least one of the  
16 following persons who has specific knowledge of the student's  
17 disability and the disability's manifestations:

18 (1) a special education teacher who provides  
19 instruction to the student;

20 (2) a behavior analyst licensed under Chapter 506,  
21 Occupations Code;

22 (3) a clinical or master social worker licensed under  
23 Chapter 505, Occupations Code; or

24 (4) a specialist in school psychology licensed under  
25 Chapter 501, Occupations Code.

26 (h) On a determination that a student or other individual  
27 poses a serious risk of violence to self or others, a team shall

1 immediately report the team's determination to the superintendent  
2 and, if~~[. — If]~~ the individual is a student, ~~[the superintendent~~  
3 ~~shall]~~ immediately attempt to inform the parent or person standing  
4 in parental relation to the student. The requirements of this  
5 subsection do not prevent an employee of the school from acting  
6 immediately to prevent an imminent threat or respond to an  
7 emergency.

8 SECTION 8. Sections 37.203(a) and (b), Education Code, are  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 (a) The center is advised by a board of directors composed  
11 of:

12 (1) the attorney general, or the attorney general's  
13 designee;

14 (2) the commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;

15 (3) the executive director of the Texas Juvenile  
16 Justice Department, or the executive director's designee;

17 (4) the commissioner of the Department of State Health  
18 Services, or the commissioner's designee;

19 (5) the commissioner of higher education, or the  
20 commissioner's designee; and

21 (6) the following members appointed by the governor  
22 with the advice and consent of the senate:

23 (A) a juvenile court judge;

24 (B) a member of a school district's board of  
25 trustees;

26 (C) an administrator of a public primary school;

27 (D) an administrator of a public secondary

1 school;

2 (E) a member of the state parent-teacher  
3 association;

4 (F) a teacher from a public primary or secondary  
5 school;

6 (G) a public school superintendent who is a  
7 member of the Texas Association of School Administrators;

8 (H) a school district police officer or a peace  
9 officer whose primary duty consists of working in a public school;

10 (I) a professional architect who is registered in  
11 this state and a member of the Texas Society of Architects;

12 (J) an administrator of a public junior college;

13 and

14 (K) [~~(J)~~] three members of the public.

15 (b) Members of the board appointed under Subsection (a)(6)  
16 serve staggered two-year terms, with the terms of the members  
17 described by Subsections (a)(6)(A)-(F) expiring on February 1 of  
18 each odd-numbered year and the terms of the members described by  
19 Subsections (a)(6)(G)-(K) [~~(J)~~] expiring on February 1 of each  
20 even-numbered year. A member may serve more than one term.

21 SECTION 9. Section 37.222(b), Education Code, is amended to  
22 read as follows:

23 (b) At least three times each school year, each [~~Each~~]  
24 school district and open-enrollment charter school shall provide  
25 the information and other resources described under Subsection (a)  
26 to the parent or guardian of each student enrolled in the district  
27 or school.

SECTION 10. Section 37.353, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) A good cause exception claimed by a school district under Subsection (a) expires on the fifth anniversary of the date on which the exception is claimed. On the expiration of the exception, the district must reevaluate whether the district is able to comply with each school facility standard related to safety and security, and if not, renew:

(1) the claim for an exception under Subsection (a);  
and

(2) the alternative performance standard developed under Subsection (b).

SECTION 11. Section 38.004(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The agency shall develop a policy governing the reports of child abuse or neglect, including reports related to the trafficking of a child under Section 20A.02(a)(5), (6), (7), or (8), Penal Code, as required by Chapter 261, Family Code, for school districts, open-enrollment charter schools, and their employees. The policy must provide for cooperation with law enforcement child abuse investigations without the consent of the child's parents if necessary, including investigations by the Department of Family and Protective Services. The policy must require each school district and open-enrollment charter school employee to report child abuse or neglect, including the trafficking of a child under Section 20A.02(a)(5) or (7), Penal Code, in the manner required by Chapter 261, Family Code, except that a school district or open-enrollment

1 charter school employee must make the report to both the Department  
2 of Family and Protective Services and a local or state law  
3 enforcement agency, other than the district's or school's police  
4 department, if the report is based on evidence that a person engaged  
5 in misconduct described by Section 22.093(c)(1)(A) or (B). Each  
6 school district and open-enrollment charter school shall adopt the  
7 policy.

8 SECTION 12. Section 48.115(b), Education Code, is amended  
9 to read as follows:

10 (b) Funds allocated under this section must be used to  
11 improve school safety and security, including costs associated  
12 with:

13 (1) securing school facilities in accordance with the  
14 requirements of Section 37.351, including:

15 (A) improvements to school infrastructure;

16 (B) the use or installation of perimeter security  
17 fencing conducive to a public school learning environment or  
18 physical barriers, which may not include razor wire;

19 (C) interior and exterior door and window safety  
20 and security upgrades, including exterior door numbering and  
21 locking systems and security film that provides resistance to a  
22 forced entry; and

23 (D) the purchase and maintenance of:

24 (i) security cameras and, if the district  
25 has already installed security cameras, other security equipment,  
26 including video surveillance as provided by Section 29.022; and

27 (ii) technology, including communications



1 systems or devices, such as silent panic alert devices, two-way  
2 radios, or wireless Internet booster equipment, that facilitates  
3 communication and information sharing between students, school  
4 personnel, and first responders in an emergency;

5 (2) providing security for the district, including:

6 (A) employing school district peace officers,  
7 private security officers, and school marshals; and

8 (B) collaborating with local law enforcement  
9 agencies, such as entering into a memorandum of understanding for  
10 the assignment of school resource officers to schools in the  
11 district;

12 (3) school safety and security measures, including:

13 (A) active shooter and emergency response  
14 training;

15 (B) prevention and treatment programs relating  
16 to addressing adverse childhood experiences; and

17 (C) the prevention, identification, and  
18 management of emergencies and threats, using evidence-based,  
19 effective prevention practices and including:

20 (i) providing licensed counselors, social  
21 workers, behavioral interventionists, chaplains, and individuals  
22 trained in restorative discipline and [~~restorative~~] justice or  
23 other discipline management practices;

24 (ii) providing mental health personnel and  
25 support, including chaplains;

26 (iii) providing behavioral health  
27 services, including services provided by chaplains;

(iv) establishing threat reporting systems; and

(v) developing and implementing programs focused on restorative justice practices, culturally relevant instruction, and providing mental health support, including support provided by chaplains;

(4) providing programs related to suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention, including programs provided by chaplains; and

(5) employing a school safety director and other personnel to manage and monitor school safety initiatives and the implementation of school safety requirements for the district.

SECTION 13. Section 261.103, Family Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(a) Except as otherwise provided by this section [~~Subsections (b) and (c)~~] and Section 261.405, a report shall be made to:

(1) any local or state law enforcement agency;

(2) the department; or

(3) the state agency that operates, licenses, certifies, or registers the facility in which the alleged abuse or neglect occurred.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, an employee of a school district or open-enrollment charter school who is required to make a report of child abuse or neglect that is based on evidence that a person engaged in misconduct described by

1 Section 22.093(c)(1)(A) or (B), Education Code, must make the  
2 report to both the department and a local or state law enforcement  
3 agency other than the district's or school's police department.

4 SECTION 14. Sections 85.024(a) and (b), Local Government  
5 Code, are amended to read as follows:

6 (a) The sheriff of a county with a total population of less  
7 than 350,000 in which a school district or open-enrollment charter  
8 ~~[public]~~ school is located shall call and conduct a meeting at least  
9 twice each calendar year, not less than three months apart,  
10 ~~[semiannual meetings]~~ to discuss:

- 11 (1) school safety;
- 12 (2) coordinated law enforcement response to school  
13 violence incidents;
- 14 (3) law enforcement agency capabilities;
- 15 (4) available resources;
- 16 (5) emergency radio interoperability;
- 17 (6) chain of command planning; and
- 18 (7) other related subjects proposed by a person in  
19 attendance at the meeting.

20 (b) The sheriff of a county to which this section applies in  
21 which more than one school district or open-enrollment charter  
22 ~~[public]~~ school is located may discuss school safety policies for  
23 more than ~~[is only required to hold]~~ one school district or  
24 open-enrollment charter school in a ~~[semiannual]~~ meeting described  
25 by Subsection (a). This subsection does not require districts or  
26 schools ~~[public schools]~~ located within the same county to adopt  
27 the same school safety policies.

1           SECTION 15.   Section 37.2161, Education Code, is repealed.

2           SECTION 16.   This Act applies beginning with the 2025-2026  
3 school year.

4           SECTION 17.   Not later than February 1, 2026, the governor  
5 shall appoint the new member to the board of directors of the Texas  
6 School Safety Center as required by Section 37.203(a)(6)(J),  
7 Education Code, as amended by this Act.

8           SECTION 18.   To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails  
9 over another Act of the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025,  
10 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted  
11 codes.

12          SECTION 19.   This Act takes effect immediately if it  
13 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each  
14 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.  
15 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate  
16 effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

ADOPTED

MAY 28 2025

*Lately Law*  
Secretary of the Senate

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. 1

BY: *Phil Lu Nils*

Amend H.B. 121 (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Article 2A.001(35), Code of Criminal Procedure (page 3), strike lines 1 and 2 and substitute the following:

(35) an inspector employed by the Texas Education Agency under Section 37.1031, Education Code, subject to the limitations imposed by that section

(2) Strike SECTION 2 of the bill, adding Section 7.021(d), Education Code (page 3, lines 6 through 9).

(3) In SECTION 3 of the bill, in added Section 37.0814(d)(2)(A)(ii), Education Code (page 3, line 25), strike "180th" and substitute "90th".

(4) In SECTION 4 of the bill, strike added Section 37.1031, Education Code (page 3, lines 57 through 64) and substitute the following:

Sec. 37.1031. AGENCY INSPECTORS. The agency may employ inspectors only for the purposes of:

(1) assisting the agency in monitoring school district safety and security requirements under Section 37.1083; and

(2) coordinating with local, state, and federal law enforcement during an event requiring an emergency response by a school district.

(5) In SECTION 8 of the bill, in amended Section 37.203(a), Education Code (page 6, line 44), strike added Paragraph (K) and substitute the following:

1                   (K) two [~~(J) three~~] members of the public.

2           (6) Strike SECTION 11 of the bill, amending Section

3 38.004(a), Education Code (page 7, lines 1 through 22).

4           (7) In SECTION 12 of the bill, in amended Section 48.115(b),

5 Education Code (page 7, lines 34 through 37), strike amended

6 Paragraph (C) and substitute the following:

7                   (C) interior and exterior door and window safety

8 and security upgrades, including:

9                               (i) exterior door numbering;

10                              (ii) primary and secondary locking systems;

11 and

12                              (iii) security film that provides resistance

13 to a forced entry; and

14           (8) Strike SECTION 13 of the bill, amending Section 261.103,

15 Family Code (page 8, lines 13 through 30).

16           (9) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the

17 bill:

18           SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 37.1083(a), Education Code, is amended

19 to read as follows:

20           (a) The agency shall monitor the implementation and

21 operation of requirements related to school district safety and

22 security, including [~~school district~~]:

23                   (1) school district multihazard emergency operations

24 plans; [~~and~~]

25                   (2) school district safety and security audits; and

26                   (3) the response and use of emergency operations

27 procedures by a school district during an event requiring an

1 emergency response by the district.

2 SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 37.117, Education Code, as added by  
3 Chapter 896 (H.B. 3), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular  
4 Session, 2023, is amended to read as follows:

5 Sec. 37.117. EMERGENCY RESPONSE MAP AND WALK-THROUGH. (a)  
6 Each school district and open-enrollment charter school shall  
7 provide to the Department of Public Safety and all appropriate  
8 local law enforcement agencies and emergency first responders:

9 (1) an accurate map of each district campus and school  
10 building that is developed and documented in accordance with the  
11 standards described by Section 37.351 related to developing site  
12 and floor plans, access control, and exterior door numbering; and

13 (2) an opportunity to conduct a walk-through of each  
14 district campus and school building using the map described by  
15 Subdivision (1).

16 (b) Each school district and open-enrollment charter school  
17 shall provide the map described by Subsection (a)(1) to each  
18 emergency services district located in whole or in part within the  
19 school district or geographic area served by the open-enrollment  
20 charter school.

21 (10) Renumber the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly.

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MAY 28 2025

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. 2

*Lately Spaw*  
Secretary of the Senate

BY: *Kelly Harmon*

1 Amend H.B. 121 (senate committee report) in SECTION 5 of the  
2 bill, in amended Section 37.108(a), Education Code (page 4, line  
3 2), between "response," and "and", by inserting "reunification".



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**FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 29, 2025**

**TO:** Honorable Dustin Burrows, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB121** by King (Relating to measures for ensuring public school safety, including the commissioning of peace officers by the Texas Education Agency, the composition of the board of directors of the Texas School Safety Center, public school safety and security requirements and resources, and the reporting of child abuse or neglect by public school employees.), **As Passed 2nd House**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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It is assumed that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:**

**LBB Staff:** JMc, NC, SL, ENA

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**FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 19, 2025**

**TO:** Honorable Brandon Creighton, Chair, Senate Committee on Education K-16

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB121** by King (Relating to measures for ensuring public school safety, including the commissioning of peace officers by the Texas Education Agency, the composition of the board of directors of the Texas School Safety Center, public school safety and security requirements and resources, and the reporting of child abuse or neglect by public school employees.), **As Engrossed**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 701 Texas Education Agency

**LBB Staff:** JMc, NC, ENA

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**FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 6, 2025**

**TO:** Honorable Brad Buckley, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB121** by King (relating to measures for ensuring public school safety, including the commissioning of peace officers by the Texas Education Agency, the composition of the board of directors of the Texas School Safety Center, and public school safety and security requirements and resources.),  
**Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 313 Department of Information Resources, 701 Texas Education Agency, 758 Texas State University System, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 966 Howard College, 978 San Jacinto College

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 24, 2025**

**TO:** Honorable Brad Buckley, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB121** by King (Relating to measures for ensuring public school safety, including the commissioning of peace officers by the Texas Education Agency, public school safety and security requirements, and the provision of safety-related resources.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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It is assumed that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 313 Department of Information Resources, 701 Texas Education Agency

**LBB Staff:** JMc, JPE, SL