

**Region 4 – Safe & Healthy Schools
SB11 Detailed Summary**

SB 11	Amends various sections of the Texas education Code, Texas Health and Safety Code, and the Texas Occupation Code. The bill addresses elements of Governor Abbot’s school safety action plan, as well as recommendations from both houses of the legislature following interim hearings on school safety. Effective date: 6/6/19
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<u>Bill/Code/Law</u>	<u>Safety Update</u>	<u>District Impact</u>
HB 2195/ TEC 37.0812	Active Shooter Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Response plan must be added to EOP. - TCOLE will develop training for school-based police by 8/31/20.
TEC 37.108/ 37.1081	Multi-hazard EOP	<p>EOP must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chain of command. - Physical and psychological safety. - Trauma-informed care. - Portable buildings (per TxSSC guidelines). - Students and staff with disabilities. - Immediate parent notice of significant threat. - Substitute teachers. - Security committee names and dates. - Adds prevention to issues to be addressed in the plan. - Requires classroom access to a phone or other device for immediate contact with emergency services. - Requires measures to ensure district communications technology and infrastructure and adequate for emergencies. <p>EOP to TxSSC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Districts must submit EOP to TxSSC. - TxSSC will undertake periodic and targeted review. - TxSSC will send notice if EOP not submitted or deficient. - District must send audit reports to TxSSC. - TxSSC will send notice of corrective action.
TEC 37.115/ TEC 37.220	Threat Assessment Teams	<p>Boards must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish “Safe and Supportive School Teams”. - Set teams for each campus; teams may serve multiple campuses; district may have oversight team. - Set policies and procedures based on TEA rules and TxSSC guidelines. - Teams must be systematic, coordinated, multitiered and multiagency. - Goal is to support student’s social, emotional, behavioral, and mental health. <p>Team composition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teams must have relevant expertise (counseling, mental health, safety, law enforcement, classroom management, etc.) - Team must undergo training by TxSSC or ESC.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In most districts, scope of expertise will require inclusion of professionals not employed by the school district. <p>Assessment required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Harmful, threatening or violent behavior includes behaviors, such as verbal threats of self-harm, bullying, cyberbullying, fighting, the use or possession of a weapon, sexual assault, sexual harassment, dating violence, stalking, or assault by a student that could result in: - Specific interventions, including mental health or behavioral supports; In-school suspension; out-of-school suspension; or the student’s expulsion or removal to DAEP or JJAEP. <p>Team Duties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess and report individuals exhibiting threatening behavior. - Gather data to determine risk and intervention. - Refer individuals for mental health assessment. - Implement an escalation program as appropriate. - Provide guidance to school community on recognized risks. - Teams will have extensive reporting requirements. <p>Threat reporting procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If student or other person poses a threat of violence to self or others, team must immediately report to superintendent. - The superintendent must attempt to inform the parent. - Parental notice does not prevent immediate action in response to the imminent threat or emergency. - If a student presents a risk of suicide, follow suicide prevention policy. - If a student presents a risk of substance abuse, follow substance prevention policy.
HSC 161.325 (d)	Parental Consent	<p>Requires district:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seek consent from patents on district form that complies with FERPA and HIPPA. - Specify whether one time or course of treatment
TEC 37.113	Parental Notification	<p>Requires district:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add immediate parental notice of significant threats to health and safety to EOP. - Provide notice as soon as possible to parents whose children use facility in the event of a bomb threat or terroristic threat.
TEC 38.03	Policy on Trauma	<p>New policy must be adopted and included in the district improvement plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Raising awareness for staff and parents. - Incorporating trauma-informed practices - Using TEA resources and available counseling

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		<p>Commissioner must approve the training. Provided to all employees on a schedule set by TEA. May partner with a community mental health organization.</p>
TEC 37.108	Drills/Evacuation - EOP	<p>Starting 01/01/2020 Providing procedures for evacuating and securing school property during an emergency and designating the number of mandatory school drills to be conducted each semester of the school year, not to exceed eight drills, including designating the number of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evacuation fire exit drills. - Lockdown, lockout, shelter-in-place, and evacuation drills.
TEC 42.168	School Safety Allotment	<p>May be used to improve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School infrastructure - Use or instillation of physical barriers - The purchase and maintenance of security cameras or other security equipment or technology. - Collaboration with LEAs. - School safety and security training and planning.
TEC 28.002	Curriculum Changes	<p>Health curriculum expanded to include mental health issues, including substance abuse, managing emotions, and suicide prevention. Digital citizenship added to instruction (responsible on-line behavior).</p>
TEC 37.109	School Safety Committee	<p>Should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - City or county office of emergency management. - Local police or sheriff. - ISD police, if applicable. - Board president. - Another board member. - Superintendent. - Superintendent designee(s), with at least one classroom teacher. - Charter school rep., if district partners with OECS. - Two parents. <p>Recommendations for updating EOP.</p>
TEC 37.108/ OC 1701.23	Training for school Commissioned Peace Officers	<p>Developed by TCOLE – 4064 Focus is on interactions with school-age populations. Required within 180 days (or Aug, 31, 2020). Not required for SROs.</p>
TEC 45.001(a)	Bond Fund	<p>School districts are authorized to issue bonds for refitting school buses with emergency, safety, or security equipment and purchasing or retrofitting vehicles to be used for emergency, safety, or security purposes (video monitoring, GPS tracking).</p>
TEC 7.061	Facilities Standards	<p>Starts 01/01/2020 Commissioner must adopt building standards and review every other year.</p>

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		Purpose is to ensure safety and security. SB 500 included \$100 million in facilities improvement grants (already spent).
TEC 37.0811 / TEC 37.0813	Charter / Public School Marshals	Starts 09/01/2019 No cap on number per campus.
TEC 37.081/ SB 1707	Limited Role of School Police	Starts 06/01/2019 Board must set law enforcement duties. Must be in all relevant documents, including MOU, district improvement plan and SCOC. Must be limited to law enforcement role of protecting safety and property. Must not include routine student discipline or administrative task.
HB 1143	Policy on Parking in School Parking with Firearm	Starts 09/01/2019 If License to Carry holder parks on school property with firearm or ammunition stored out of plain view in locked car, ISD/OECS cannot regulate how ammunition is stored.
HB 1791	Handgun on Government Property	Starts 09/01/2019 Existing penalty for posting signs in wrong location now expanded. May complain about “any action” that states or implies LTC not allowed to enter or remain. Complaint is made to AG, who will notify the district of alleged violation and give opportunity to “cure”. (I.E. Guns now allowed in parking lot, so must remove signs from there).
SB 2135	Information Sharing by Law Enforcement	Starts 09/01/2019 When law enforcement sends notice of arrest, must include sufficient detail for threat assessment or safety plan. District can request more info, but that info cannot be used to discipline. District officials may inspect or copy confidential law enforcement records for threat assessment.
TEC 28.004(c)	New School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) Duties	Must recommend health instruction on mental health, suicide prevention and substance abuse. Increase parental awareness of risky behaviors and local resources.
TEC 25.0815	Waiver of Minutes	Operational and instructional time waiver for school safety training. If a district requires all staff to attend safety training, must allow sufficient time of district educators to attend training. Commissioner may grant waiver of up to 420 minutes of operational and instructional time as long as it doesn’t result in an inadequate number of minutes of instruction for students.