HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Mass Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Select

TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Thursday, October 10, 2019

PLACE: Farmers Branch, Texas (see details below)

CHAIR: Rep. Drew Darby

The committee will meet to hear invited and public testimony at Brookhaven College, Building C, Performance Hall, located at 3939 Valley View Lane, Farmers Branch, Texas 75244.

The committee will hear invited testimony only 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;

The committee will hear 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.

Public testimony will be limited to three (3) minutes per witness in order to accommodate as many witnesses as possible.

If providing written testimony, please provide 15 copies.

Other Information:

Map of Brookhaven College & Parking: Please copy and paste the following into your browser:

brookhavencollege.edu/maps/pages/campus-map.aspx

Parking: Public parking can be found in P4 Parking Lot.

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