



# Update on SB 30 (85<sup>th</sup>)

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

SENATE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018



# Community Safety Education Act: Requirements

The State Board of Education (SBOE) and the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement were required to enter into a memorandum of understanding that establishes each agency's respective responsibilities in developing the following:

- Instruction, including curriculum and instructional modules, on proper interaction with peace officers during traffic stops and other in-person encounters
- a training program, including training and testing materials, on proper interaction with civilians during traffic stops and other in-person encounters



# Community Safety Education Act: Requirements

- The SBOE must adopt rules to include the instruction in one or more courses in the required curriculum for students in grade levels 9-12.
- Subject to rules adopted by the SBOE, a school district or open-enrollment charter school may tailor instruction as appropriate for the district's or school's community. In tailoring the instruction, the district or school must solicit input from local law enforcement agencies, driver training schools, and the community.



# Community Safety Education Act: Implementation

- The implementation committee conducted face-to-face planning meetings and work sessions in fall 2017 and spring 2018.
- Two videos have been produced that focus on the seven-step violator contact method employed by peace officers. Additionally, instructional resources to help educators provide instruction have been developed and are in final review stages. A draft of the instructional resources was posted on the TEA website for public feedback in summer 2018.
- The videos and resources will be used in driver education, high school instruction, driving safety courses, and civilian interaction training programs for peace officers.



# Community Safety Education Act: SBOE Action

- In April 2018, the SBOE adopted administrative rules requiring school districts to record completion of the requirement on student transcripts.
- In June 2018, the SBOE adopted administrative rules requiring school districts to provide high school students with instruction in interaction with peace officers for implementation beginning with the 2018-2019 school year.
- TEA will make supporting resources available to school districts and charter schools in fall 2018.



# Community Safety Education Act: Implementation Committee

Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE)

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)

Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR)

Texas Education Agency (TEA)

Austin Police Department

Dallas Police Department

Austin Community College

Texas Crime Prevention Association

Teen and Police Services Academy

Foundation for Safe Driving