SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT DUTIES OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER & SCHOOL BASED LAW ENFORCEMENT

Law: In accordance with SB 1707 86th Legislative Session 2019-2020, a school district must clarify that a school based law enforcement (SBLE) or school resource officer (SRO) shall not be involved in the routine discipline of students. Under the law, a school district must write out the roles and responsibilities of school based law enforcement or school resource officers and place them in the student code of conduct, district improvement plan, the memorandum of understanding between the school district and the local law enforcement agency and any other campus or district document describing the role of a school based law enforcement or school resource officer.

School based law enforcement or school resource officers shall perform law enforcement duties for the school district that include protecting the safety and welfare of any person in the jurisdiction of the police officer and the property of the school district.

The school district may not assign or require of the school based law enforcement or school resource officer any routine student discipline or school administrative tasks or have contact with students unrelated to the law enforcement duties of the police officer. This does not prohibit a school based law enforcement or school resource officer from having informal contact with a student unrelated to the assigned duties of the officer or any incident involving student behavior or law enforcement.

In determining the law enforcement duties, the board of trustees of the school

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