TEXAS EDUCATION CODE TITLE 2. PUBLIC EDUCATION SUBTITLE G. SAFE SCHOOLS CHAPTER 37. DISCIPLINE; LAW AND ORDER SUBCHAPTER G. TEXAS SCHOOL SAFETY CENTER

TEC, §37.2121. MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING AND MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS.

- (a) The center shall identify and inform school districts of the types of entities, including local and regional authorities, other school districts, and emergency first responders, with whom school districts should customarily make efforts to enter into memoranda of understanding or mutual aid agreements addressing issues that affect school safety and security.
- (b) The center shall develop guidelines regarding memoranda of understanding and mutual aid agreements between school districts and the entities identified in accordance with Subsection (a). The guidelines:
 - (1) must include descriptions of the provisions that should customarily be included in each memorandum or agreement with a particular type of entity;
 - (2) may include sample language for those provisions; and
 - (3) must be consistent with the Texas Statewide Mutual Aid System established under Subchapter <u>E-1</u>, Chapter <u>418</u>, Government Code.
- (c) The center shall encourage school districts to enter into memoranda of understanding and mutual aid agreements with entities identified in accordance with Subsection (a) that comply with the guidelines developed under Subsection (b).
- (d) Each school district that enters into a memorandum of understanding or mutual aid agreement addressing issues that affect school safety and security shall, at the center's request, provide a copy of the memorandum or agreement to the center.
- (d-1) A copy of a memorandum of understanding or mutual aid agreement provided to the center under Subsection (d) is confidential and not subject to disclosure under Chapter <u>552</u>, Government Code.
- (e) The center shall include information regarding the center's efforts under this section in the report required by Section <u>37.216</u>.

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