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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary  
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Dear Representatives,  
Maslow's Hierarchy has personal safety as a primary need. It is difficult for people to function effectively when they are in situations that are potentially unsafe. The current mental health crisis is well documented. We can't expect the public to behave in an optimal way when we fail to provide for public safety.

I have been a school psychologist for over twenty years. My job involves intellectual and behavior testing as well as de-escalation training for staff. When baseline arousal is elevated because of perceived threats, you can expect less regulated behavior. You have the opportunity to protect our community and provide a greater sense of public safety. I urge you to pass HB 2007.

Respectfully submitted,  
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