

# Action Sheet

**MEETING DATE:** August 21, 2019

**AGENDA ITEM:** Consider support of H.R. 3665, the School Violence Prevention and Mitigation Act of 2019

Federal School Safety Bill (H.R. 3665) authorizes \$2 billion over 10 years to be used for two grant programs for public schools that would fund facility risk assessments and associated fixes for the physical vulnerabilities identified by those risk assessments. Authored by Roger Williams 25<sup>th</sup> District of Texas.

Co-authors, Congressmen Roger Williams and Ted Deutch seek to establish federal grants for public schools to identify and mitigate vulnerabilities in their security related infrastructure.

"No parent should fear sending their child to school, and no child should fear for their safety in the classroom. One attack is too many, and for decades, our nation's seen an alarming uptick in incidents where multiple students and educators were killed or injured on school grounds. The lessons we've learned from past tragedies teach us about the importance of basic physical security. In too many of these attacks, fundamental security measures would have saved lives. Unfortunately, many schools across our country lack that security infrastructure. Security begins at the property perimeter of the school and goes all the way to the classroom.

Congressman Williams is asking for our support of H.R. 3665.

**RECOMMENDATION:** I move the GISD Board sign the resolution in support H.R. 3665

  
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