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## Creighton appointed by Lieutenant Governor to Select Committee on School Safety and Security

## Creighton to seek input from Senate District 4

Austin, TX – Yesterday afternoon, Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick announced the creation of a Senate select committee to study violence in schools and school security. Senator Brandon Creighton (R-Conroe) was one of nine senators appointed to the committee by Lieutenant Governor Patrick.

"We as Americans and as Texans have recently experienced too many horrible tragedies in our schools," said Senator Creighton. "This is an issue that needs immediate action as well as long-term solutions to ensure our children are kept safe while at school, and I am pleased the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and the entire Senate have shown a commitment to address this issue with actual solutions by the start of next school year."

Under the Lieutenant Governor's direction, the committee will be meeting throughout the summer, hosting public hearings to hear testimony, and completing a study to be presented to the 86th Texas Legislature. In addition, Governor Abbott released his School and Firearm Safety Action Plan yesterday, which includes numerous recommendations to improve safety.

"We must all step up to address mental health, violence, and school security to ensure our students do not enter their schools every day in fear, "said Senator Creighton. "I am looking forward to hearing and learning from stakeholders across the state in addition to hosting my own roundtables across Senate District 4 to hear from education and law enforcement experts from our own communities."

If you wish to provide input by either attending a public hearing or by contacting Senator Creighton's office, please visit senate.texas.gov for information on posted hearings or to send Senator Creighton a message.

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Senator Brandon Creighton represents Senate District 4, which encompasses Chambers, Jefferson and parts of Montgomery, Harris and Galveston Counties.