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It seems to me, the original legislation that caused the current issue around SROs was rushed and agenda based instead of needs based. Again, when the need for clarifying language was first discovered, instead of gathering in a special session to fix the issue; agendas prevented a simple fix.

I would like to urge you to put aside political agendas and focus on our students, officers, and educators. This issue has gone on long enough without a resolve. As a result our schools have become even less safe, learning has become interrupted, and trust has plummeted. School Recources Officers are beloved by the students, foster positive relations, enable teachers to focus on educating and are the first line of defenses for those at our schools. Do what is best for our Schools. Provide clarity that will support and protect our SROs enabling to return to their much needed and missed positions at school!

Thank you,

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