



## Input on SB 57

Regarding provisions and plans by public schools to ensure the safety of individuals with disabilities

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The **Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE)** offers the following input on **SB 57**:

While we fully support the intent of this legislation, we do have concerns about the increased administrative burden it may place on educators. The requirement to incorporate emergency accommodations into Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and 504 plans will likely lead to a significant rise in paperwork and additional Admission, Review, and Dismissal (ARD) meetings to discuss and review these plans. Additionally, ongoing training and follow-up meetings to evaluate the effectiveness of these accommodations will require considerable time and resources from educators and school personnel. We urge legislators to work with stakeholders to ensure that implementation is manageable and does not divert attention from direct student support.

Despite these concerns, we recognize the importance of prioritizing student safety and encourage collaboration to address potential logistical challenges. We look forward to working together to ensure its successful and practical implementation.

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