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Synopsis of House Committee Amendments

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House Primary Secondary Education

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Electronic monitoring for threat to life or safety

Permits a school district or technology provider to monitor or access a school-issued device *to prevent* or respond to a threat to life or safety, instead of permitting such access to respond to *imminent* threats to life or safety.

Notice requirements

Requires a school district to notify only a student's parent, rather than the student and the student's parent, of any monitoring of a school-issued device.

Clarifies that the school district, rather than the district or technology provider, is responsible for providing notice of monitoring of a school-issued device.

Requires that when a school district or technology provider elects to generally monitor a school-issued device for any of the circumstances that would exempt the school district or technology provider from the prohibition against electronically accessing or monitoring devices, the school district must provide annual notice of that fact to its students' parents.

Clarifies that the bill's 72-hour notice provision is required only when one of the circumstances is triggered.