

Testimony on Senate Bill 317  
Government Oversight and Reform Committee

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Chair Coley, Vice Chair Huffman, Ranking Member Craig, and members of the committee, thank you for allowing me to present this testimony in opposition to SB 317.

I am appalled at the audacity behind SB317 to exempt training requirements when individuals, selected by the school administration, voluntarily go ARMED into schools. With publicity and education in response to nation wide protest, it becomes clearer that MORE training on de-escalation tactics is needed even by police officers. So not only should MORE training be required of teachers, officers and security personnel, it is imperative that armed and untrained volunteers NOT be allowed into a school situation.

Please, reconsider pushing forward with, and vote against, SB317. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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