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School Intruder Drill Legislation Passes Okla. House

Legislation that would require Oklahoma schools to conduct at least two intruder drills during the school year has been approved by a state House committee.

The House Education Committee passed the measure 16-0 Tuesday and sent it to the full House for a vote. The measure has already been approved by the state Senate.

The bill would require public schools to include school intruder drills along with fire, tornado and other drills designed to protect school students and faculty members in emergency situations.

The legislation was among five recommendations submitted to lawmakers by the Oklahoma Commission on School Security. The task force was created after last year's deadly shooting at a Connecticut elementary school. Other recommendations include a statewide school security institute and mental health training for public school staffs.

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