



## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 713

---

### ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S SAFE COUNCIL

**WHEREAS** providing safe schools for the children of Alabama is a paramount responsibility of the State of Alabama;

**WHEREAS** state agencies possess unique capabilities and resources for promoting school security;

**WHEREAS** coordinated, inter-agency planning and training is required to prevent school violence;

**WHEREAS** the President of the United States has initiated an appropriately wide-ranging national conversation of proposals to protect our schools;

**WHEREAS** the Legislature's Emergency Task Force on School Safety and Security has already made and begun implementing school-safety proposals at the state level;

**WHEREAS** all school-safety ideas should be considered, whether arming willing and trained school personnel, tightening access to school buildings, or improving support for at-risk students;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of the State of Alabama, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Alabama, do hereby establish the Governor's Securing Alabama Facilities of Education Council ("the Governor's SAFE Council" or "the Council") as further set forth below:

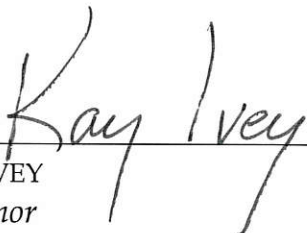
1. **Purpose.** The Council's purpose shall be to implement the Governor's announced proposals, and to develop additional proposals, for enhancing the safety of Alabama schools.
2. **Implementation plan.** The Council shall submit to the Governor by April 30, 2018, a plan to implement the Governor's initiatives to enhance the physical safety of Alabama's schools, to assess internal

threats to school safety, and to coordinate school emergency operations planning and training. The plan shall also include any additional recommendations the Council develops for promoting school safety.

3. **Membership.** The Council shall consist of the following members or their designees: the Governor, who shall act as chair; the Secretary of the Alabama Office of Information Technology; the Secretary of the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency; the Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Mental Health; the Alabama State Superintendent of Education; and additional individuals as the Governor deems necessary.
4. **State agency cooperation.** State agencies and other state-funded entities shall cooperate with the Council and provide information requested by the Council.

DONE AND ORDERED this 6th day of March 2018.



  
KAY IVEY  
Governor

ATTESTED

  
JOHN H. MERRILL  
Secretary of State