



Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

Public Hearing on the Family First Prevention Services Act

Thursday, January 30, 2020, 9:00 am

John H. Winters Building, Public Hearing Room
701 West 51st Street, Austin, Texas 78754

Agenda

1. Welcome

The Department will provide opening remarks. The hearing is intended to give the public an opportunity to provide feedback. In lieu of a formal presentation, we invite you to [learn more about what Texas is doing to support FFPSA](#). Visit the DFPS website to receive [email updates regarding FFPSA](#).

2. Public Comment

The Department welcomes public comment concerning the Family First Prevention Services Act. All individuals who testify will be given a limit of three (3) minutes. We ask that individuals who want to provide input in person please fill out a public comment form available at the registration desk. Forms must be submitted no later than 9:30 am.

3. Adjourn

Individuals who want to provide written comment should submit them by 5:00 pm on January 30, 2020.

Please email comments to: DFPSFamilyFirstPreventionAct@dfps.state.tx.us. We will also accept written copies at the meeting.

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Persons with disabilities who plan to attend and require auxiliary aids or services are asked to call Cheryl Gomez at (512) 438-4932 or email at dfpscouncil@dfps.state.tx.us at least three business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements may be made.

Texas Penal Code Section 46.035(c) states: "A license holder commits an offense if the license holder intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly carries a handgun under the authority of Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, regardless of whether the handgun is concealed or carried in a shoulder or belt holster, in the room or rooms where a meeting of a governmental entity is held and if the meeting is an open meeting subject to Chapter 551, Government Code, and the entity provided notice as required by that chapter."

Please note – this governmental meeting is, in the opinion of counsel representing the Department of Family and Protective Services an open meeting subject to Chapter 551, Government Code and the Department of Family and Protective Services is providing notice of this meeting as required by Chapter 551. In addition, *please note* that the written communication required by Texas Penal Code Sections 30.06 and 30.07, prohibiting both concealed and open carry of handguns by Government Code Chapter 411 licensees, will be posted at the entrances to this governmental meeting.