SENATE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Mass Violence Prevention & Community Safety, Select

TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Wednesday, October 30, 2019

PLACE: E1.036 (Finance Room)
CHAIR: Senator Joan Huffman

The Senate Select Committee on Mass Violence Prevention and Community Safety will meet to take up the following charges:

- Consider the role digital media, dark web networks, and overall cultural issues play in the promotion of mass violence and how these contribute to the radicalization of individuals and incitement of racism, white supremacy and domestic terrorism. Research the link between violent video games and recent mass shootings in Texas and examine the impact of the overall fraying culture on mass shootings, including increased violence, tolerance for violence, and extremist views in our society.
- Study whether the state's interest in public safety and its ability to deter violence and dangerous conduct is enhanced by prohibiting individuals from wearing masks to intimidate others, incite violence, or engage in criminal activity, while protecting First Amendment rights to free speech and free exercise of religion.

Public testimony will be limited to 2 minutes. If submitting written testimony, please provide 15 copies to the committee clerk with your name on each.

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