

Dear LESC Commissioners,

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I noticed on the agenda for this Thursday's meeting (May 7) you will be discussing a draft rule on Failure to Intervene and a draft rule on Failure to Report. I won't be able to attend the meeting in real-time, but I wanted to offer a comment about those topics.

I hope the Commission is aware of two training programs to teach officers how to intervene: EPIC (see <https://epic.nola.gov/home/>) and ABLE (see <https://www.law.georgetown.edu/cics/able/>). From the ABLE website,

ABLE is a culture change program that aims to create a police culture where officers routinely intervene and accept intervention as necessary to prevent misconduct, reduce mistakes, and promote officer health and wellness.

My understanding is that there is some discussion of including ABLE training in some DPSST course(s?) and I would welcome that addition. I think four officers with that training would have made a life-saving difference in the case of my child's death.

Thank you,

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