



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Houston, TX — August 3, 2025** — Shortly after we released our press release this morning, August 3, Sergeant Eric Carr of the Houston Police Officers Union shared with us the union’s response that a Department Circular went out today to its members addressing the Sig Sauer P320. See attachment at the end.

We don't understand what took the department so long to put out a Department Circular today—seven months after an HPD officer was shot in the calf, with the bullet lodged in his ankle on January 20, 2025, when his SIG Sauer P320 discharged without the trigger being pulled.

On **July 28, 2025**, the *Houston Chronicle* reported that **HPD officials had still not announced whether they would take any official action** to regulate or suspend use of the SIG Sauer firearm. The department also declined to respond to questions about **rumors of pending guidance for officers**.

Our concerns for public safety—for both officers and civilians—remain urgent.

**What took Chief Diaz so long to act** when Federal agencies have rejected SIG Sauer P320 amid growing safety concerns? The U.S. Air Force Global Strike Command and ICE have both halted the use of P320 following law enforcement agencies across the country, after fatal and serious incidents — including the recent death of a 21-year-old airman and multiple injuries among federal officers. The National Law Enforcement Firearms Instructors Association declared SIG P320 unsafe for Training/SOFREP.

We need answers now from **Chief Diaz, Mayor Whitmire, and City Officials**.

<https://www.houstonchronicle.com/news/houston-texas/article/sig-sauer-gun-misfire-lawsuit-hpd-20786670.php>



## Houston Police Officers' Union

Members,

As listed in the circular that went out today, the department is removing the Sig P-320 as a duty weapon and will be allowing officers two months to replace it. Like the department, we understand that there are safety concerns that need to be addressed by the manufacturer and that removing these weapons is understandable. Like many of you, I have the 320 as my current duty weapon. I love the gun but also recognize the concern if the incidents reported around the country are true. HPD currently has around 1200 officers who have the 320 as their primary weapon, so the department is not taking this lightly. They are doing their due diligence in researching the issues and working with uniform supply to secure as many resources as possible.

The HPOU is currently working with several vendors including Sig Sauer to make sure our members get the best possible deal on replacing their weapon and holster. We have also reached out to other vendors including Staccato and Smith and Wesson. We will continue to keep everyone updated as soon as we can get information from these vendors on a possible buy back or trade. The department only carries the holster for the

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