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Matter of Public Concern and Public Safety

Houston, TX — August 5, 2025 — We are elated to learn Chief Diaz has halted the use of SIG Sauer P320 by HPD officers. However, our concerns for public safety—for both officers and Houstonians—remain urgent.

We are still concerned about what took Chief Diaz so long, to halt the use of SIG Sauer P320 by HPD officers, 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.

What took Chief Diaz so long to halt the use of SIG Sauer P320; after Federal agencies rejected SIG Sauer P320 amid growing safety concerns; after 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; after The National Law Enforcement Firearms Instructors Association declared SIG P320 unsafe for Training/SOFREP; after Lawsuits and investigative reports have documented over 100 unintentional discharges of this weapon, many occurring while the gun was holstered and untouched; after law enforcement agencies halted the use of SIG Sauer P320?

List of law enforcement agencies that halted the use of SIG Sauer P320:

Milwaukee Police Department: Pulled the P320 due to safety concerns.

Dallas Police Department: Also removed the P320 from service.

SEPTA (Philadelphia): The transit police have also discontinued use of the P320.

Other Agencies: Various agencies across Alabama, Connecticut, Florida, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin have also removed the P320.

Washington State Police Academy: Banned the P320 for recruits.

Pasco County Sheriff's Office (Florida): Removed the P320 from service.

Montville Police Department (Connecticut): Removed the P320.

Oklahoma CLEET: Banned the P320 from the state academy unless it has a manual safety.

U.S. Air Force Global Strike Command: Followed by the U.S. Air Force Global Strike Command.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE): Also prohibited officers from carrying the P320.

Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission: Permanently banned the P320 from its training facilities.

San Antonio Police Department: Suspended use of the P320 following the death of an airman.

Tampa Bay Police: Initiated a review of the handgun.

Chicago Police Department: Removed the P320 from its approved handgun list.

Denver Police Department: Removed the P320 from its approved handgun list.

Clark County Sheriff's Office (Washington): Removed the P320 from its approved handgun list.

Pierce County Sheriff's Office (Washington): Removed the P320 from its approved handgun list.

Oklahoma City Police Department: Prohibited the P320 due to concerns about unintentional discharges.

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Chief Diaz failure to halt the use of the SIG Sauer P320 endangered the lives of officers and Houstonians. We need answers now from Chief Diaz, Mayor Whitmire, and City Officials.

<https://www.houstonchronicle.com/news/houston-texas/article/sig-sauer-hpd-ban-20801028.php>

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