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Senator Craig Brandt Applauds Senate Passage of 'Threat of a Shooting' Bill

Senate Bill 34 creates crime of making a shooting threat

SANTA FE – Today, Senate Bill 34 passed the Senate on a bipartisan 34-5 vote. The bill would allow law enforcement to charge and investigate individuals who issue a threat of a shooting. The bill sponsor, Senate Republican Whip, **Senator Craig Brandt** (District 40-Sandoval), introduced this legislation in an effort to curb threats and stop potential future tragedies.

"We all want to stop the next mass tragedy," said Senator Brandt. "This issue is far and above one of the most agreed upon bills I have introduced in my career. Like me, most cannot fathom why there is no current law barring the threat of mass violence with a firearm. Such a loophole has real world effects, particularly at schools, where students are scarred by lockdown protocol while no action is taken to hold the responsible party accountable. It is my sincere hope that this bill will move quickly through the House and be signed into law for the benefit of the public at large."

Senate Bill 34 will now advance to the House.

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