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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE RELEASES REPORTS ON SCHOOL SAFETY STATISTICS AND STATES' ROLES IN SCHOOL SAFETY

WASHINGTON – The Office of Justice Programs' National Institute of Justice today published two reports discussing school safety statistics and initiatives. The first, *Summary of School Safety Statistics*, contains data collected by researchers as well as federal agencies, including the Department of Education and Department of Justice. It examines several common beliefs pertaining to school safety statistics and provides evidence to support or dispel each of them. The second, *States' Roles in Keeping Schools Safe: Opportunities and Challenges for State School Safety Centers and Other Actors*, includes information shared at a two-day NIJ state school safety meeting that included representatives from 20 states. The report provides a better understanding of the role of state school safety representatives, their priorities and challenges.

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TITLES: "*Summary of School Safety Statistics*"
 "*States' Roles in Keeping Schools Safe: Opportunities and Challenges
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