

Wesley Lewis in Student Press Law Center: New Voices Bill Gets a Hearing in Texas

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Haynes Boone Associate Wesley Lewis was quoted in the *Student Press Law Center* about a New Voices bill that got a hearing in the Texas Legislature last week. The bill, HB 2244, relates to speech protections for student publications in public schools.

Here is an excerpt:

About 40 high school journalists, advisers and First Amendment advocates turned out to the state capitol in Austin to support HB 2244, the new voices proposal. ... The bill essentially creates clarity for student journalists and their advisers about what they can and cannot publish.

Wesley Lewis, an Austin-based attorney with the Haynes Boone law firm, appeared before the committee on behalf of the *Student Press Law Center*.

“Unfortunately, constitutional protections that are currently afforded to students are imbalanced and inadequate to allow journalism programs to fully accomplish their goals,” Lewis said.

To read the full article, click [here](#).