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I see the knee jerk comments coming in that the horrific shooting in Tennessee justifies the implementation of SB 348. Keep this in mind. The shooter picked this school because it was a “soft target” and abandoned another target because it was “too secure”.

It has not been mentioned much in the news, however, the shooter had written in her manifesto that she had first considered two locations to attack but as written in the Dailymail she did not go to the other location because there was too much security. Here is the quote from the article: “Drake said that Hale mentioned another location in her manifesto, but decided that there was too much security to launch an attack.” you can see the article here <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-11910625/Who-Audrey-Hale-know-Nashville-Covenant-school-shooter.html>

The police arrived within 10 minutes of the call, found the shooter and stopped her within minutes. Just think if there had been an armed teacher or a safety officer at the school they may have stopped the shooter perhaps minimizing or even preventing any deaths. A consistent theme through these acts of insanity has been the choice of “soft targets”. The Colorado theater shooter choose his target because it was a “gun free zone” – obviously not for him.