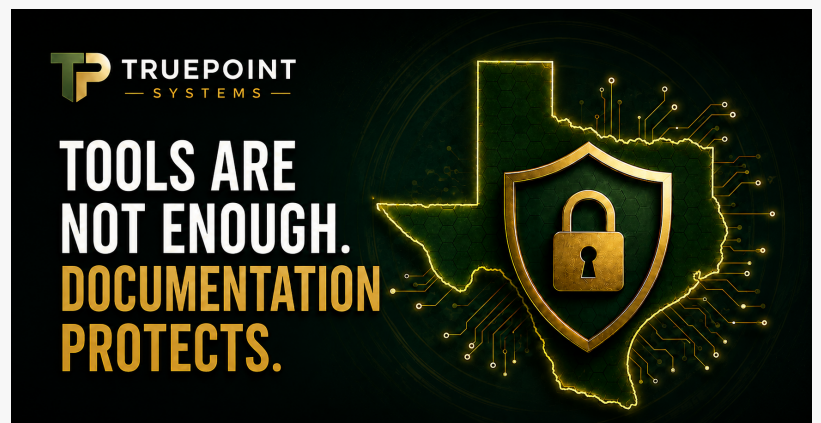


TruePoint Systems Warns Cybersecurity Tools Alone May Not Support Texas Safe Harbor Protection

TruePoint Systems urges Texas businesses to look beyond cybersecurity tools and assess whether their security programs are properly documented.

LONGVIEW, TX, UNITED STATES, August 18, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Many Texas business leaders believe their organizations are covered because they have an IT provider, antivirus software, backups, multifactor authentication and other cybersecurity solutions in place. [TruePoint Systems](#) is urging businesses to consider a harder question: If a breach occurred tomorrow, could they produce evidence showing that a qualifying cybersecurity program had been implemented and maintained before the incident?



TruePoint Systems urges Texas businesses to look beyond cybersecurity tools and maintain documentation supporting their cybersecurity programs.

Cybersecurity tools are important, but tools alone may not constitute a complete cybersecurity program. Written policies, employee training records, incident-response plans, risk assessments, assigned responsibilities and documentation of ongoing safeguards may also be needed to demonstrate that cybersecurity is actively managed across the organization.

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“Business owners often believe that having an MSP or cybersecurity tools means every responsibility has been addressed,” said Stepp Sydnor, CEO of TruePoint Systems. “The real test is whether the business can show what was in place, who was responsible and how the program was

maintained over time.”

Texas Senate Bill 2610, effective September 1, 2025, establishes a legal safe harbor for small and mid-sized businesses. It protects companies with fewer than 250 employees from paying punitive (exemplary) damages in data breach lawsuits if they actively maintained a recognized, documented cybersecurity program when the breach happened. In certain actions arising from a breach of system security, the law may prohibit the recovery of exemplary damages if a qualifying business can demonstrate that it implemented and maintained an appropriate cybersecurity program at the time of the breach.

The protection is not automatic, does not eliminate every form of liability and depends on the business and its specific circumstances.

TruePoint's free online [Security Assessment](#) gives business leaders a starting point for examining their current security posture. It can help organizations identify areas that may require further attention and support more productive conversations with internal teams and technology providers.

However, completing the online assessment does not establish eligibility for safe harbor protection. It is not an audit, legal review, or substitute for the documentation needed to demonstrate that a cybersecurity program has been implemented and maintained.

"A company may have strong technology in place and still struggle to produce the policies, training records, response plans and other evidence needed during an audit or following a breach," Sydnor said. "Our goal is to help business leaders identify that gap before they are forced to prove their readiness."

Organizations that are unsure whether their cybersecurity protections are supported by adequate documentation can speak with TruePoint Systems about a more comprehensive cybersecurity readiness review. The review examines the organization's current program, identifies meaningful gaps, and establishes practical priorities for strengthening both its protections and the supporting evidence.

The Security Assessment is available at truepointsystems.com/tools/security-assessment.

TruePoint Systems provides cybersecurity and readiness support but does not provide legal advice or determine eligibility for protections under Senate Bill 2610. Businesses should consult qualified legal counsel regarding their specific circumstances.

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