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## **SENATE BILL NO. 440**

Offered January 10, 2024

Prefiled January 9, 2024 A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 9.1-101, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, 9.1-102, 9.1-114.1, 9.1-184, 22.1-279.10, and 22.1-280.2:3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to employment of school protection officers in public schools. Patron—Durant

Referred to Committee on Public Education

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 9.1-101, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, 9.1-102, 9.1-114.1, 9.1-184, 22.1-279.10, and 22.1-280.2:3 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 9.1-101. (For contingent expiration date, see Acts 2021, Sp. Sess. I, cc. 524 and 542) Definitions. As used in this chapter or in Chapter 23 (§ 19.2-387 et seq.) of Title 19.2, unless the context requires a different meaning:

"Administration of criminal justice" means performance of any activity directly involving the detection, apprehension, detention, pretrial release, post-trial release, prosecution, adjudication, correctional supervision, or rehabilitation of accused persons or criminal offenders or the collection, storage, and dissemination of criminal history record information.

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59 office which is a part of or administered by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof, or any 60 full-time or part-time employee of a private police department, and who is responsible for the prevention and detection of crime and the enforcement of the penal, traffic or highway laws of the Commonwealth, and shall 61 62 include any (i) special agent of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority; (ii) police agent appointed under the provisions of § 56-353; (iii) officer of the Virginia Marine Police; (iv) conservation 63 police officer who is a full-time sworn member of the enforcement division of the Department of Wildlife 64 65 Resources; (v) investigator who is a sworn member of the security division of the Virginia Lottery; (vi) 66 conservation officer of the Department of Conservation and Recreation commissioned pursuant to § 10.1-115 ; (vii) full-time sworn member of the enforcement division of the Department of Motor Vehicles appointed 67 68 pursuant to § 46.2-217; (viii) animal protection police officer employed under § 15.2-632 or 15.2-836.1; (ix) campus police officer appointed under Article 3 (§ 23.1-809 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 23.1; (x) member of 69 70 the investigations unit designated by the State Inspector General pursuant to § 2.2-311 to investigate 71 allegations of criminal behavior affecting the operations of a state or nonstate agency; (xi) employee with 72 internal investigations authority designated by the Department of Corrections pursuant to subdivision 11 of § 53.1-10 or by the Department of Juvenile Justice pursuant to subdivision A 7 of § 66-3; (xii) private police 73 officer employed by a private police department; or (xiii) person designated as a sworn unit investigator by 74 the Attorney General pursuant to subsection A of § 32.1-320.1. Part-time employees are those compensated 75 76 officers who are not full-time employees as defined by the employing police department, sheriff's office, or 77 private police department.

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"Sealing" means (i) restricting dissemination of criminal history record information contained in the
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## **242** § 9.1-102. Powers and duties of the Board and the Department.

243 The Department, under the direction of the Board, which shall be the policy-making body for carrying out

244 the duties and powers hereunder, shall have the power and duty to:

245 1. Adopt regulations, pursuant to the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.), for the 246 administration of this chapter including the authority to require the submission of reports and information by 247 law-enforcement officers within the Commonwealth. Any proposed regulations concerning the privacy, 248 confidentiality, and security of criminal justice information shall be submitted for review and comment to any 249 board, commission, or committee or other body which may be established by the General Assembly to 250 regulate the privacy, confidentiality, and security of information collected and maintained by the 251 Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof:

252 2. Establish compulsory minimum training standards subsequent to employment as a law-enforcement 253 officer in (i) permanent positions and (ii) temporary or probationary status and establish the time required for 254 completion of such training. Such compulsory minimum training standards shall include crisis intervention 255 training in accordance with clause (i) of § 9.1-188;

3. Establish minimum training standards and qualifications for certification and recertification for law-256 257 enforcement officers serving as field training officers;

258 4. Establish compulsory minimum curriculum requirements for in-service and advanced courses and 259 programs for schools, whether located in or outside the Commonwealth, which are operated for the specific 260 purpose of training law-enforcement officers;

5. Establish (i) compulsory minimum training standards for law-enforcement officers who utilize radar or 261 an electrical or microcomputer device to measure the speed of motor vehicles as provided in § 46.2-882 and 262 263 establish the time required for completion of the training and (ii) compulsory minimum qualifications for 264 certification and recertification of instructors who provide such training;

265 6. [Repealed];

266 7. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service and advanced training standards for those 267 persons designated to provide courthouse and courtroom security pursuant to the provisions of § 53.1-120, 268 and to establish the time required for completion of such training;

269 8. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service and advanced training standards for deputy 270 sheriffs designated to serve process pursuant to the provisions of § 8.01-293, and establish the time required 271 for the completion of such training;

272 9. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service, and advanced training standards, as well as the 273 time required for completion of such training, for persons employed as deputy sheriffs and jail officers by 274 local criminal justice agencies and correctional officers employed by the Department of Corrections under the 275 provisions of Title 53.1. For correctional officers employed by the Department of Corrections, such standards 276 shall include training on the general care of pregnant women, the impact of restraints on pregnant inmates 277 and fetuses, the impact of being placed in restrictive housing or solitary confinement on pregnant inmates, 278 and the impact of body cavity searches on pregnant inmates;

279 10. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for all dispatchers employed by or in any local or 280 state government agency, whose duties include the dispatching of law-enforcement personnel. Such training standards shall apply only to dispatchers hired on or after July 1, 1988; 281

11. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for all auxiliary police officers employed by or in 282 283 any local or state government agency. Such training shall be graduated and based on the type of duties to be 284 performed by the auxiliary police officers. Such training standards shall not apply to auxiliary police officers 285 exempt pursuant to § 15.2-1731;

286 12. Consult and cooperate with counties, municipalities, agencies of the Commonwealth, other state and 287 federal governmental agencies, and institutions of higher education within or outside the Commonwealth, 288 concerning the development of police training schools and programs or courses of instruction;

289 13. Approve institutions, curricula and facilities, whether located in or outside the Commonwealth, for 290 school operation for the specific purpose of training law-enforcement officers; but this shall not prevent the 291 holding of any such school whether approved or not;

292 14. Establish and maintain police training programs through such agencies and institutions as the Board 293 deems appropriate;

294 15. Establish compulsory minimum qualifications of certification and recertification for instructors in 295 criminal justice training academies approved by the Department;

296 16. Conduct and stimulate research by public and private agencies which shall be designed to improve 297 police administration and law enforcement; 298

17. Make recommendations concerning any matter within its purview pursuant to this chapter;

299 18. Coordinate its activities with those of any interstate system for the exchange of criminal history record 300 information, nominate one or more of its members to serve upon the council or committee of any such 301 system, and participate when and as deemed appropriate in any such system's activities and programs;

302 19. Conduct inquiries and investigations it deems appropriate to carry out its functions under this chapter 303 and, in conducting such inquiries and investigations, may require any criminal justice agency to submit 304 information, reports, and statistical data with respect to its policy and operation of information systems or

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with respect to its collection, storage, dissemination, and usage of criminal history record information and
 correctional status information, and such criminal justice agencies shall submit such information, reports, and
 data as are reasonably required;

**308** 20. Conduct audits as required by § 9.1-131;

309 21. Conduct a continuing study and review of questions of individual privacy and confidentiality of310 criminal history record information and correctional status information;

22. Advise criminal justice agencies and initiate educational programs for such agencies with respect to
 matters of privacy, confidentiality, and security as they pertain to criminal history record information and
 correctional status information;

314 23. Maintain a liaison with any board, commission, committee, or other body which may be established
315 by law, executive order, or resolution to regulate the privacy and security of information collected by the
316 Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof;

317 24. Adopt regulations establishing guidelines and standards for the collection, storage, and dissemination
318 of criminal history record information and correctional status information, and the privacy, confidentiality,
319 and security thereof necessary to implement state and federal statutes, regulations, and court orders;

320 25. Operate a statewide criminal justice research center, which shall maintain an integrated criminal
 321 justice information system, produce reports, provide technical assistance to state and local criminal justice
 322 data system users, and provide analysis and interpretation of criminal justice statistical information;

323 26. Develop a comprehensive, statewide, long-range plan for strengthening and improving law
 324 enforcement and the administration of criminal justice throughout the Commonwealth, and periodically
 325 update that plan;

27. Cooperate with, and advise and assist, all agencies, departments, boards and institutions of the
 Commonwealth, and units of general local government, or combinations thereof, including planning district
 commissions, in planning, developing, and administering programs, projects, comprehensive plans, and other
 activities for improving law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice throughout the
 Commonwealth, including allocating and subgranting funds for these purposes;

28. Define, develop, organize, encourage, conduct, coordinate, and administer programs, projects and activities for the Commonwealth and units of general local government, or combinations thereof, in the Commonwealth, designed to strengthen and improve law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice at every level throughout the Commonwealth;

29. Review and evaluate programs, projects, and activities, and recommend, where necessary, revisions or
 alterations to such programs, projects, and activities for the purpose of improving law enforcement and the
 administration of criminal justice;

338 30. Coordinate the activities and projects of the state departments, agencies, and boards of the
 339 Commonwealth and of the units of general local government, or combination thereof, including planning
 340 district commissions, relating to the preparation, adoption, administration, and implementation of
 341 comprehensive plans to strengthen and improve law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice;

31. Do all things necessary on behalf of the Commonwealth and its units of general local government, to
determine and secure benefits available under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (P.L.
90-351, 82 Stat. 197), as amended, and under any other federal acts and programs for strengthening and
improving law enforcement, the administration of criminal justice, and delinquency prevention and control;

346 32. Receive, administer, and expend all funds and other assistance available to the Board and the
347 Department for carrying out the purposes of this chapter and the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act
348 of 1968, as amended;

349 33. Apply for and accept grants from the United States government or any other source in carrying out the 350 purposes of this chapter and accept any and all donations both real and personal, and grants of money from 351 any governmental unit or public agency, or from any institution, person, firm or corporation, and may 352 receive, utilize and dispose of the same. Any arrangements pursuant to this section shall be detailed in the annual report of the Board. Such report shall include the identity of the donor, the nature of the transaction, 353 354 and the conditions, if any. Any moneys received pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the state treasury to the account of the Department. To these ends, the Board shall have the power to comply with 355 356 conditions and execute such agreements as may be necessary;

357 34. Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its
358 duties and execution of its powers under this chapter, including but not limited to, contracts with the United
359 States, units of general local government or combinations thereof, in Virginia or other states, and with
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361 35. Adopt and administer reasonable regulations for the planning and implementation of programs and
 362 activities and for the allocation, expenditure and subgranting of funds available to the Commonwealth and to
 363 units of general local government, and for carrying out the purposes of this chapter and the powers and duties
 364 set forth herein;

**365** 36. Certify and decertify law-enforcement officers in accordance with §§ 15.2-1706 and 15.2-1707;

**366** 37. Establish training standards and publish and periodically update model policies for law-enforcement

367 personnel in the following subjects:

368 a. The handling of family abuse, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking cases, including standards 369 for determining the predominant physical aggressor in accordance with § 19.2-81.3. The Department shall 370 provide technical support and assistance to law-enforcement agencies in carrying out the requirements set 371 forth in subsection A of § 9.1-1301;

372 b. The identification of, communication with, and facilitation of the safe return of individuals diagnosed 373 with Alzheimer's disease and dementia, which shall include (i) techniques for respectful and effective 374 communication with individuals with Alzheimer's disease and dementia and their caregivers; (ii) techniques 375 for addressing the behavioral symptoms of Alzheimer's disease and dementia, including alternatives to 376 physical restraint; (iii) protocols for identifying and reporting incidents of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of 377 individuals with Alzheimer's disease and dementia to adult protective services; (iv) protocols for contacting 378 caregivers when an individual with Alzheimer's disease or dementia is found wandering or during an 379 emergency or crisis situation; (v) a reference list of local resources available for individuals with Alzheimer's 380 disease and dementia; and (vi) a reference list of local and national organizations that assist law-enforcement 381 personnel with locating missing and wandering individuals with Alzheimer's disease and dementia and 382 returning them to their caregivers;

383 c. Sensitivity to and awareness of systemic and individual racism, cultural diversity, and the potential for 384 racially biased policing and bias-based profiling as defined in § 52-30.1, which shall include recognizing 385 implicit biases in interacting with persons who have a mental illness, substance use disorder, or 386 developmental or cognitive disability;

387 d. Protocols for local and regional sexual assault response teams;

388 e. Communication of death notifications;

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389 f. The questioning of individuals suspected of driving while intoxicated concerning the physical location 390 of such individual's last consumption of an alcoholic beverage and the communication of such information to 391 the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority;

392 g. Vehicle patrol duties that embody current best practices for pursuits and for responding to emergency 393 calls;

394 h. Criminal investigations that embody current best practices for conducting photographic and live 395 lineups;

396 i. Sensitivity to and awareness of human trafficking offenses and the identification of victims of human 397 trafficking offenses for personnel involved in criminal investigations or assigned to vehicle or street patrol 398 duties; 399

j. The recognition, prevention, and reporting of human trafficking;

k. Missing children, missing adults, and search and rescue protocol; and

401 1. The handling and use of tear gas or other gases and kinetic impact munitions, as defined in § 19.2-83.3, 402 that embody current best practices for using such items as a crowd control measure or during an arrest or 403 detention of another person;

404 38. Establish compulsory training standards for basic training and the recertification of law-enforcement 405 officers to ensure (i) sensitivity to and awareness of systemic and individual racism, cultural diversity, and 406 the potential for racially biased policing and bias-based profiling as defined in § 52-30.1, which shall include 407 recognizing implicit biases in interacting with persons who have a mental illness, substance use disorder, or 408 developmental or cognitive disability; (ii) training in de-escalation techniques; and (iii) training in the lawful 409 use of force, including the use of deadly force, as defined in § 19.2-83.3, only when necessary to protect the 410 law-enforcement officer or another person;

411 39. Review and evaluate community-policing programs in the Commonwealth, and recommend where 412 necessary statewide operating procedures, guidelines, and standards that strengthen and improve such 413 programs, including sensitivity to and awareness of systemic and individual racism, cultural diversity, and the 414 potential for racially biased policing and bias-based profiling as defined in § 52-30.1, which shall include 415 recognizing implicit biases in interacting with persons who have a mental illness, substance use disorder, or 416 developmental or cognitive disability;

40. Establish a Virginia Law-Enforcement Accreditation Center. The Center may, in cooperation with 417 418 Virginia law-enforcement agencies, provide technical assistance and administrative support, including 419 staffing, for the establishment of voluntary state law-enforcement accreditation standards. The Center may 420 provide accreditation assistance and training, resource material, and research into methods and procedures 421 that will assist the Virginia law-enforcement community efforts to obtain Virginia accreditation status;

41. Promote community policing philosophy and practice throughout the Commonwealth by providing 422 423 community policing training and technical assistance statewide to all law-enforcement agencies, community 424 groups, public and private organizations and citizens; developing and distributing innovative policing 425 curricula and training tools on general community policing philosophy and practice and contemporary critical 426 issues facing Virginia communities; serving as a consultant to Virginia organizations with specific 427 community policing needs; facilitating continued development and implementation of community policing

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programs statewide through discussion forums for community policing leaders, development of lawenforcement instructors; promoting a statewide community policing initiative; and serving as a statewide
information source on the subject of community policing including, but not limited to periodic newsletters, a
website and an accessible lending library;

432 42. Establish, in consultation with the Department of Education and the Virginia State Crime 433 Commission, compulsory minimum standards for employment and job-entry and in-service training curricula 434 and certification requirements for school security officers, including school security officers described in clause (b) of § 22.1-280.2:1, which training and certification shall be administered by the Virginia Center for 435 School and Campus Safety (VCSCS) pursuant to § 9.1-184. Such training standards shall be specific to the 436 437 role and responsibility of school security officers and shall include (i) relevant state and federal laws; (ii) school and personal liability issues; (iii) security awareness in the school environment; (iv) mediation and 438 439 conflict resolution, including de-escalation techniques such as a physical alternative to restraint; (v) disaster 440 and emergency response; (vi) awareness of systemic and individual racism, cultural diversity, and implicit bias; (vii) working with students with disabilities, mental health needs, substance use disorders, and past 441 traumatic experiences; and (viii) student behavioral dynamics, including child and adolescent development 442 443 and brain research. The Department shall establish an advisory committee consisting of local school board representatives, principals, superintendents, and school security personnel to assist in the development of the 444 standards and certification requirements in this subdivision. The Department shall require any school security 445 officer who carries a firearm in the performance of his duties to provide proof that he has completed a 446 training course provided by a federal, state, or local law-enforcement agency that includes training in active 447 448 shooter emergency response, emergency evacuation procedure, and threat assessment;

449 43. License and regulate property bail bondsmen and surety bail bondsmen in accordance with Article 11450 (§ 9.1-185 et seq.);

44. License and regulate bail enforcement agents in accordance with Article 12 (§ 9.1-186 et seq.);

452 45. In conjunction with the Virginia State Police and the State Compensation Board, advise criminal
453 justice agencies regarding the investigation, registration, and dissemination of information requirements as
454 they pertain to the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry Act (§ 9.1-900 et seq.);

455 46. Establish minimum standards for (i) employment, (ii) job-entry and in-service training curricula, and 456 (iii) certification requirements for campus security officers. Such training standards shall include, but not be 457 limited to, the role and responsibility of campus security officers, relevant state and federal laws, school and 458 personal liability issues, security awareness in the campus environment, and disaster and emergency 459 response. The Department shall provide technical support and assistance to campus police departments and campus security departments on the establishment and implementation of policies and procedures, including 460 461 but not limited to: the management of such departments, investigatory procedures, judicial referrals, the establishment and management of databases for campus safety and security information sharing, and 462 463 development of uniform record keeping for disciplinary records and statistics, such as campus crime logs, judicial referrals and Clery Act statistics. The Department shall establish an advisory committee consisting of 464 college administrators, college police chiefs, college security department chiefs, and local law-enforcement 465 officials to assist in the development of the standards and certification requirements and training pursuant to 466 this subdivision; 467

468 47. Assess and report, in accordance with § 9.1-190, the crisis intervention team programs established469 pursuant to § 9.1-187;

470 48. In conjunction with the Office of the Attorney General, advise law-enforcement agencies and
471 attorneys for the Commonwealth regarding the identification, investigation, and prosecution of human
472 trafficking offenses using the common law and existing criminal statutes in the Code of Virginia;

473 49. Register tow truck drivers in accordance with § 46.2-116 and carry out the provisions of § 46.2-117;

474 50. Administer the activities of the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Program Professional
475 Standards Committee by providing technical assistance and administrative support, including staffing, for the
476 Committee;

51. In accordance with § 9.1-102.1, design and approve the issuance of photo-identification cards to private security services registrants registered pursuant to Article 4 (§ 9.1-138 et seq.);

479 52. In consultation with the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and the Virginia Association
480 of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators, develop multidisciplinary curricula on trauma-informed sexual
481 assault investigation;

53. In consultation with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, develop a
model addiction recovery program that may be administered by sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, jail officers, administrators, or superintendents in any local or regional jail. Such program shall be based on any existing
addiction recovery programs that are being administered by any local or regional jails in the Commonwealth.
Participation in the model addiction recovery program shall be voluntary, and such program may address
aspects of the recovery process, including medical and clinical recovery, peer-to-peer support, availability of
mental health resources, family dynamics, and aftercare aspects of the recovery process;

489 54. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for certification and recertification of law-

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enforcement officers serving as school resource officers. Such training shall be specific to the role and
responsibility of a law-enforcement officer working with students in a school environment and shall include
(i) relevant state and federal laws; (ii) school and personal liability issues; (iii) security awareness in the

493 school environment; (iv) mediation and conflict resolution, including de-escalation techniques; (v) disaster

494 and emergency response; (vi) awareness of systemic and individual racism, cultural diversity, and implicit

495 bias; (vii) working with students with disabilities, mental health needs, substance use disorders, or past

496 traumatic experiences; and (viii) student behavioral dynamics, including current child and adolescent
 497 development and brain research;

498 55. Establish a model policy for the operation of body-worn camera systems as defined in § 15.2-1723.1499 that also addresses the storage and maintenance of body-worn camera system records;

500 56. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for detector canine handlers employed by the 501 Department of Corrections, standards for the training and retention of detector canines used by the 502 Department of Corrections, and a central database on the performance and effectiveness of such detector 503 canines that requires the Department of Corrections to submit comprehensive information on each canine 504 handler and detector canine, including the number and types of calls and searches, substances searched for 505 and whether or not detected, and the number of false positives, false negatives, true positives, and true 506 negatives;

507 57. Establish compulsory training standards for basic training of law-enforcement officers for recognizing 508 and managing stress, self-care techniques, and resiliency;

509 58. Establish guidelines and standards for psychological examinations conducted pursuant to subsection C510 of § 15.2-1705;

511 59. Establish compulsory in-service training standards, to include frequency of retraining, for law512 enforcement officers in the following subjects: (i) relevant state and federal laws; (ii) awareness of cultural
513 diversity and the potential for bias-based profiling as defined in § 52-30.1; (iii) de-escalation techniques; (iv)
514 working with individuals with disabilities, mental health needs, or substance use disorders; and (v) the lawful
515 use of force, including the use of deadly force, as defined in § 19.2-83.3, only when necessary to protect the
516 law-enforcement officer or another person;

517 60. Develop a uniform curriculum and lesson plans for the compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service,
518 and advanced training standards to be employed by criminal justice training academies approved by the
519 Department when conducting training;

520 61. Adopt statewide professional standards of conduct applicable to all certified law-enforcement officers
521 and certified jail officers and appropriate due process procedures for decertification based on serious
522 misconduct in violation of those standards;

523 62. Establish and administer a waiver process, in accordance with §§ 2.2-5515 and 15.2-1721.1, for law524 enforcement agencies to use certain military property. Any waivers granted by the Criminal Justice Services
525 Board shall be published by the Department on the Department's website;

526 63. Establish compulsory training standards for basic training and the recertification of law-enforcement
527 officers to include crisis intervention training in accordance with clause (ii) of § 9.1-188;

64. Advise and assist the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, and support local law-enforcement cooperation, with the development and implementation of the Marcus alert system, as defined in § 37.2-311.1, including the establishment of local protocols for law-enforcement participation in the Marcus alert system pursuant to § 9.1-193 and for reporting requirements pursuant to §§ 9.1-193 and 532 37.2-311.1;

533 65. Develop an online course to train hotel proprietors and their employees to recognize and report
 534 instances of suspected human trafficking; and

535 66. Establish compulsory training standards for basic training and the recertification of school protection
536 officers; and

537 67. Perform such other acts as may be necessary or convenient for the effective performance of its duties.

§ 9.1-114.1. Compliance with minimum training standards by school resource officers and school
 protection officers.

A. Every full-time or part-time law-enforcement officer employed as a school resource officer after July 1,
2020, shall comply with the compulsory minimum training standards for school resource officers established
by the Board within a period of time fixed by the Board. The Department shall ensure that such required
training is available throughout the Commonwealth.

544 B. Every law-enforcement officer employed as a school protection officer shall comply with the
545 compulsory minimum training standards for school protection officers established by the Board within a
546 period of time fixed by the Board. The Department shall ensure that such required training is available
547 throughout the Commonwealth. Such training may be provided by the employing local law-enforcement
548 agency and shall be graduated and based on the type of duties to be performed.

# 549 § 9.1-184. Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety created; duties.

A. From such funds as may be appropriated, the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety (the

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551 Center) is hereby established within the Department. The Center shall:

552 1. Provide training for Virginia public school personnel in school safety, on evidence-based antibullying 553 tactics based on the definition of bullying in § 22.1-276.01, and in the effective identification of students who may be at risk for violent behavior and in need of special services or assistance; 554

2. Serve as a resource and referral center for Virginia school divisions by conducting research, sponsoring 555 556 workshops, and providing information regarding current school safety concerns, such as conflict management and peer mediation, bullying as defined in § 22.1-276.01, school facility design and technology, current state 557 558 and federal statutory and regulatory school safety requirements, and legal and constitutional issues regarding 559 school safety and individual rights;

560 3. Maintain and disseminate information to local school divisions on effective school safety initiatives in 561 Virginia and across the nation;

4. Develop a case management tool for the collection and reporting of data by threat assessment teams 562 pursuant to § 22.1-79.4; 563

5. Collect, analyze, and disseminate various Virginia school safety data, including school safety audit 564 565 information submitted to it pursuant to § 22.1-279.8, collected by the Department and, in conjunction with 566 the Department of Education, information relating to the activities of school resource officers and school 567 protection officers submitted pursuant to § 22.1-279.10;

6. Encourage the development of partnerships between the public and private sectors to promote school 568 569 safety in Virginia;

570 7. Provide technical assistance to Virginia school divisions in the development and implementation of initiatives promoting school safety, including threat assessment-based protocols with such funds as may be 571 572 available for such purpose;

8. Develop a memorandum of understanding between the Director of the Department of Criminal Justice 573 574 Services and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to ensure collaboration and coordination of roles and 575 responsibilities in areas of mutual concern, such as school safety audits and crime prevention;

576 9. Provide training for and certification of school security officers, as defined in § 9.1-101 and consistent 577 with § 9.1-110;

578 10. Develop, in conjunction with the Department of State Police, the Department of Behavioral Health 579 and Developmental Services, and the Department of Education, a model critical incident response training program for public school personnel and others providing services to schools that shall also be made 580 581 available to private schools in the Commonwealth;

11. In consultation with the Department of Education, provide schools with a model policy for the 582 583 establishment of threat assessment teams, including procedures for the assessment of and intervention with 584 students whose behavior poses a threat to the safety of school staff or students;

12. Develop a model memorandum of understanding setting forth the respective roles and responsibilities 585 586 of local school boards and local law-enforcement agencies regarding the use of school resource officers. Such model memorandum of understanding may be used by local school boards and local law-enforcement 587 agencies to satisfy the requirements of subsection A of § 22.1-280.2:3; and 588

13. Develop a model memorandum of understanding setting forth the respective roles and responsibilities 589 590 of local school boards and local law-enforcement agencies regarding the use of school protection officers. Such model memorandum of understanding may be used by local school boards and local law-enforcement 591 592 agencies to satisfy the requirements of subsection C of § 22.1-280.2:3; and

593 14. Designate an employee of the Center as the school personnel safety official for the Commonwealth 594 whose duty is to compile, maintain, and make publicly available a list of each division safety official 595 designated and the contact information for such individual included in each collated packet of school safety 596 audits received pursuant to subsection B of § 22.1-279.8. Such school personnel safety official for the Commonwealth shall at least annually confirm with each division superintendent that such contact 597 598 information is up to date and accurate.

## § 22.1-279.10. School resource officers and school protection officers; data.

602 The Department of Criminal Justice Services, in coordination with the Department of Education and the Department of Juvenile Justice, shall annually collect, report, and publish on its website data on the use of 603 force against students, including the use of chemical, mechanical, or other restraints and instances of 604 seclusion; detentions of students; arrests of students; student referrals to court or court service units; and other 605 disciplinary actions by school resource officers or school protection officers, as defined in § 9.1-101, 606 involving students. Such data shall (i) be published in a manner that protects the identities of students and (ii) 607 608 be disaggregated by local school division and by student age, grade, race, ethnicity, gender, and disability, if 609 such data is available.

#### 610 § 22.1-280.2:3. School boards; safety and security personnel.

611 A. The school board in each school division in which the local law-enforcement agency employs school

<sup>599</sup> B. All agencies of the Commonwealth shall cooperate with the Center and, upon request, assist the Center in the performance of its duties and responsibilities. 600 601

612 resource officers, as defined in § 9.1-101, shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with such local 613 law-enforcement agency that sets forth the powers and duties of such school resource officers. The provisions of such memorandum of understanding shall be based on the model memorandum of understanding 614 developed by the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety pursuant to subdivision A 12 of § 9.1-184, 615 which may be modified by the parties in accordance with their particular needs. Each such school board and 616 local law-enforcement agency shall review and amend or affirm such memorandum at least once every two 617 years or at any time upon the request of either party. Each school board shall ensure the current division 618 619 memorandum of understanding is conspicuously published on the division website and provide notice and 620 opportunity for public input during each memorandum of understanding review period.

621 B. The chief local law-enforcement officer for any local school division in which a public elementary or 622 secondary school does not employ a school resource officer, as defined in § 9.1-101, shall designate a law-

623 enforcement officer to receive, either in-person or online, the training set forth in subsection E of § 22.1-

624 279.8. Such officer shall serve as the law-enforcement liaison for the school administrator described in
 625 subsection E of § 22.1-279.8 in each public elementary or secondary school that does not employ a school

626 resource officer.

627 C. Any local law-enforcement agency may, pursuant to an agreement with the local school board, employ
628 a school protection officer, as defined in § 9.1-101, in any public elementary or secondary school in the local
629 school division. Each such school board and local law-enforcement agency shall enter into a memorandum

630 of understanding that sets forth the powers and duties of such school protection officers. The provisions of

631 such memorandum of understanding shall be based on the model memorandum of understanding developed

632 by the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety pursuant to subdivision A 13 of § 9.1-184, which may

633 be modified by the parties in accordance with their particular needs. Each such school board and local law-

634 enforcement agency shall review and amend or affirm such memorandum at least once every two years or at
 635 any time upon the request of either party. Each such school board shall ensure that the current division

636 memorandum of understanding is conspicuously published on the local school division's website and provide

637 notice and opportunity for public input during each memorandum of understanding review period.