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Bill Number: SB238

Patron: Head

Bill Title: Board of Visitors of the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind; authority to establish campus police department.

Bill Summary: Permits the Board of Visitors of the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind to establish a campus police department, in compliance with the provisions of law relating to campus police departments established by institutions of higher education, and to employ campus police officers therein.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Explanation: See below.

Fiscal Summary: There is no anticipated state fiscal impact to the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind as a result of the provisions of this bill. This bill codifies the authority, currently provided in the appropriation act, of the Board of Visitors of the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind to establish a campus police department. Chapter 725, 2025 Acts of Assembly, included language granting the Board this authority and provided additional state funding to support increased costs associated with Virginia Law Officers' Retirement System and Line of Duty Act benefits, beginning in FY 2026. HB/SB 30, 2026 General Assembly Session, continues this language and appropriation in Item 130.

Other: None