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HOUSE BILL NO. 1036

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE (Proposed by the House Committee on Militia, Police, and Public Safety

on January 27, 2006)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegates Hamilton and Alexander [HB 154])

- 5 6 A BILL to amend and reenact § 9.1-102 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Department of Criminal 7 Justice Services; duties related to campus security and police officers. 8
 - Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
- 9 1. That § 9.1-102 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 10
 - § 9.1-102. Powers and duties of the Board and the Department.

11 The Department, under the direction of the Board, which shall be the policy-making body for carrying out the duties and powers hereunder, shall have the power and duty to: 12

1. Adopt regulations, pursuant to the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.), for the 13 administration of this chapter including the authority to require the submission of reports and 14 information by law-enforcement officers within the Commonwealth. Any proposed regulations 15 concerning the privacy, confidentiality, and security of criminal justice information shall be submitted 16 17 for review and comment to any board, commission, or committee or other body which may be established by the General Assembly to regulate the privacy, confidentiality, and security of information 18 19 collected and maintained by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof;

20 2. Establish compulsory minimum training standards subsequent to employment as a law-enforcement 21 officer in (i) permanent positions, and (ii) temporary or probationary status, and establish the time 22 required for completion of such training;

23 3. Establish minimum training standards and qualifications for certification and recertification for 24 law-enforcement officers serving as field training officers;

25 4. Establish compulsory minimum curriculum requirements for in-service and advanced courses and programs for schools, whether located in or outside the Commonwealth, which are operated for the 26 27 specific purpose of training law-enforcement officers;

28 5. Establish (i) compulsory minimum training standards for law-enforcement officers who utilize 29 radar or an electrical or microcomputer device to measure the speed of motor vehicles as provided in 30 § 46.2-882 and establish the time required for completion of the training and (ii) compulsory minimum 31 qualifications for certification and recertification of instructors who provide such training;

6. Establish compulsory training courses for law-enforcement officers in laws and procedures relating 32 33 to entrapment, search and seizure, evidence, and techniques of report writing, which training shall be 34 completed by law-enforcement officers who have not completed the compulsory training standards set 35 out in subdivision 2, prior to assignment of any such officers to undercover investigation work. Failure 36 to complete the training shall not, for that reason, constitute grounds to exclude otherwise properly admissible testimony or other evidence from such officer resulting from any undercover investigation; 37

38 7. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service and advanced training standards for those 39 persons designated to provide courthouse and courtroom security pursuant to the provisions of 40 § 53.1-120, and to establish the time required for completion of such training;

41 8. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service and advanced training standards for deputy 42 sheriffs designated to serve process pursuant to the provisions of § 8.01-293, and establish the time required for the completion of such training; 43

9. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service, and advanced training standards for persons 44 employed as deputy sheriffs and jail officers by local criminal justice agencies and for correctional 45 officers employed by the Department of Corrections under the provisions of Title 53.1, and establish the 46 47 time required for completion of such training;

48 10. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for all dispatchers employed by or in any local 49 or state government agency, whose duties include the dispatching of law-enforcement personnel. Such 50 training standards shall apply only to dispatchers hired on or after July 1, 1988;

51 11. Consult and cooperate with counties, municipalities, agencies of the Commonwealth, other state and federal governmental agencies, and with universities, colleges, community colleges, and other 52 53 institutions, whether located in or outside the Commonwealth, concerning the development of police 54 training schools and programs or courses of instruction;

55 12. Approve institutions, curricula and facilities, whether located in or outside the Commonwealth, for school operation for the specific purpose of training law-enforcement officers; but this shall not 56 prevent the holding of any such school whether approved or not; 57

13. Establish and maintain police training programs through such agencies and institutions as the 58 59 Board deems appropriate:

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60 14. Establish compulsory minimum qualifications of certification and recertification for instructors in 61 criminal justice training schools approved by the Department;

15. Conduct and stimulate research by public and private agencies which shall be designed to 62 63 improve police administration and law enforcement;

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

65 17. Coordinate its activities with those of any interstate system for the exchange of criminal history 66 record information, nominate one or more of its members to serve upon the council or committee of any such system, and participate when and as deemed appropriate in any such system's activities and 67 68 programs:

69 18. Conduct inquiries and investigations it deems appropriate to carry out its functions under this 70 chapter and, in conducting such inquiries and investigations, may require any criminal justice agency to submit information, reports, and statistical data with respect to its policy and operation of information 71 72 systems or 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 73 74 information, reports, and data as are reasonably required; 75

19. Conduct audits as required by § 9.1-131;

20. Conduct a continuing study and review of questions of individual privacy and confidentiality of 76 77 criminal history record information and correctional status information;

78 21. Advise criminal justice agencies and initiate educational programs for such agencies with respect 79 to matters of privacy, confidentiality, and security as they pertain to criminal history record information 80 and correctional status information;

22. Maintain a liaison with any board, commission, committee, or other body which may be 81 82 established by law, executive order, or resolution to regulate the privacy and security of information 83 collected by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof;

23. Adopt regulations establishing guidelines and standards for the collection, storage, and dissemination of criminal history record information and correctional status information, and the privacy, 84 85 86 confidentiality, and security thereof necessary to implement state and federal statutes, regulations, and 87 court orders;

88 24. Operate a statewide criminal justice research center, which shall maintain an integrated criminal 89 justice information system, produce reports, provide technical assistance to state and local criminal 90 justice data system users, and provide analysis and interpretation of criminal justice statistical 91 information;

92 25. Develop a comprehensive, statewide, long-range plan for strengthening and improving law 93 enforcement and the administration of criminal justice throughout the Commonwealth, and periodically 94 update that plan;

95 26. Cooperate with, and advise and assist, all agencies, departments, boards and institutions of the 96 Commonwealth, and units of general local government, or combinations thereof, including planning 97 district commissions, in planning, developing, and administering programs, projects, comprehensive plans, and other activities for improving law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice 98 99 throughout the Commonwealth, including allocating and subgranting funds for these purposes;

100 27. 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 101 102 Commonwealth, designed to strengthen and improve law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice at every level throughout the Commonwealth; 103

104 28. 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 105 106 enforcement and the administration of criminal justice;

29. Coordinate the activities and projects of the state departments, agencies, and boards of the 107 108 Commonwealth and of the units of general local government, or combination thereof, including planning district commissions, relating to the preparation, adoption, administration, and implementation of comprehensive plans to strengthen and improve law enforcement and the administration of criminal 109 110 111 justice;

30. Do all things necessary on behalf of the Commonwealth and its units of general local 112 113 government, to determine and secure benefits available under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe 114 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 115 116 delinquency prevention and control;

31. Receive, administer, and expend all funds and other assistance available to the Board and the 117 118 Department for carrying out the purposes of this chapter and the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe 119 Streets Act of 1968, as amended;

120 32. Apply for and accept grants from the United States government or any other source in carrying out the purposes of this chapter and accept any and all donations both real and personal, and grants of 121

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money from any governmental unit or public agency, or from any institution, person, firm or 122 123 corporation, and may receive, utilize and dispose of the same. Any arrangements pursuant to this section 124 shall be detailed in the annual report of the Board. Such report shall include the identity of the donor, 125 the nature of the transaction, and the conditions, if any. Any moneys received pursuant to this section 126 shall be deposited in the state treasury to the account of the Department. To these ends, the Board shall 127 have the power to comply with conditions and execute such agreements as may be necessary;

128 33. Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of 129 its duties and execution of its powers under this chapter, including but not limited to, contracts with the 130 United States, units of general local government or combinations thereof, in Virginia or other states, and 131 with agencies and departments of the Commonwealth;

132 34. Adopt and administer reasonable regulations for the planning and implementation of programs 133 and activities and for the allocation, expenditure and subgranting of funds available to the 134 Commonwealth and to units of general local government, and for carrying out the purposes of this 135 chapter and the powers and duties set forth herein; 136

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

137 36. Establish training standards and publish a model policy for law-enforcement personnel in the 138 handling of family abuse, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking cases, including standards for 139 determining the predominant physical aggressor in accordance with § 19.2-81.3;

140 37. Establish training standards and publish a model policy for law-enforcement personnel in 141 communicating with and facilitating the safe return of individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease;

142 38. Establish compulsory training standards for basic training and the recertification of 143 law-enforcement officers to ensure sensitivity to and awareness of cultural diversity and the potential for 144 biased policing;

145 39. Review and evaluate community-policing programs in the Commonwealth, and recommend where 146 necessary statewide operating procedures, guidelines, and standards which strengthen and improve such 147 programs, including sensitivity to and awareness of cultural diversity and the potential for biased 148 policing;

149 40. Publish and disseminate a model policy or guideline that may be used by state and local agencies 150 to ensure that law-enforcement personnel are sensitive to and aware of cultural diversity and the 151 potential for biased policing;

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153 42. Establish a Virginia Law-Enforcement Accreditation Center. The Center shall, in cooperation with 154 Virginia law-enforcement agencies, provide technical assistance and administrative support, including 155 staffing, for the establishment of voluntary state law-enforcement accreditation standards. The Center 156 may provide accreditation assistance and training, resource material, and research into methods and 157 procedures that will assist the Virginia law-enforcement community efforts to obtain Virginia 158 accreditation status;

159 43. Promote community policing philosophy and practice throughout the Commonwealth by 160 providing community policing training and technical assistance statewide to all law-enforcement agencies, community groups, public and private organizations and citizens; developing and distributing 161 162 innovative policing curricula and training tools on general community policing philosophy and practice and contemporary critical issues facing Virginia communities; serving as a consultant to Virginia 163 organizations with specific community policing needs; facilitating continued development and 164 165 implementation of community policing programs statewide through discussion forums for community 166 policing leaders, development of law-enforcement instructors; promoting a statewide community policing 167 initiative; and serving as a statewide information source on the subject of community policing including, 168 but not limited to periodic newsletters, a website and an accessible lending library;

44. Establish, in consultation with the Department of Education and the Virginia State Crime 169 170 Commission, compulsory minimum standards for employment and job-entry and in-service training 171 curricula and certification requirements for school security officers, which training and certification shall 172 be administered by the Virginia Center for School Safety pursuant to § 9.1-184. Such training standards 173 shall include, but shall not be limited to, the role and responsibility of school security officers, relevant 174 state and federal laws, school and personal liability issues, security awareness in the school environment, 175 mediation and conflict resolution, disaster and emergency response, and student behavioral dynamics. 176 The Department shall establish an advisory committee consisting of local school board representatives, 177 principals, superintendents, and school security personnel to assist in the development of these standards 178 and certification requirements:

179 45. Establish training standards and publish a model policy and protocols for local and regional 180 sexual assault response teams;

181 46. License and regulate property bail bondsmen and surety bail bondsmen in accordance with 182 Article 11 (§ 9.1-185 et seq.) of this chapter;

47. (Effective October 1, 2005) License and regulate bail enforcement agents in accordance with
Article 12 (§ 9.1-186 et seq.) of this chapter; and

185 48. Establish minimum standards for (i) employment, (ii) job-entry and in-service training curricula, 186 and (iii) certification requirements for campus security officers. Such training standards shall include, 187 but not be limited to, the role and responsibility of campus security officers, relevant state and federal 188 laws, school and personal liability issues, security awareness in the campus environment, and disaster and emergency response. The Department shall provide technical support and assistance to campus 189 190 police departments and campus security departments on the establishment and implementation of policies and procedures, including but not limited to: the management of such departments, investigatory 191 192 procedures, judicial referrals, the establishment and management of databases for campus safety and security information sharing, and development of uniform record keeping for disciplinary records and statistics, such as campus crime logs, judicial referrals and Clery Act statistics. The Department shall 193 194 establish an advisory committee consisting of college administrators, college police chiefs, college 195 196 security department chiefs, and local law-enforcement officials to assist in the development of the 197 standards and certification requirements and training pursuant to this subdivision; and 198 49. Perform such other acts as may be necessary or convenient for the effective performance of its 199 duties.

200 2. That the provisions of this act shall be effective July 1, 2007.