

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 9.1-110 of the Code of Virginia, relating to School Resource Officer*
3 *Grants Program school resource officers; conditions of employment.*

4 [H 487]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 9.1-110 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 9.1-110. School Resource Officer Grants Program and Fund.**

9 A. From the funds appropriated for such purpose and from the gifts, donations, grants, bequests, and
10 other funds received on its behalf, there is established (i) the School Resource Officer Grants Program,
11 to be administered by the Board, in consultation with the Board of Education, and (ii) a special
12 nonreverting fund within the state treasury known as the School Resource Officer Incentive Grants Fund,
13 hereinafter known as the "Fund." The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller, and
14 any moneys remaining in the Fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the general fund but
15 shall remain in the Fund. Interest earned on such funds shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it.

16 Subject to the authority of the Board to provide for its disbursement, the Fund shall be disbursed to
17 award matching grants to local law-enforcement agencies and local school boards that have established a
18 collaborative agreement to employ uniformed school resource officers, as defined in § 9.1-101, in middle
19 and high schools within the relevant school division. The Board may disburse annually up to five
20 percent of the Fund for the training of the school resource officers. School resource officers shall be
21 certified law-enforcement officers and shall be employed to help ensure safety, ~~to~~ and prevent truancy
22 and violence in schools; ~~and to enforce school board rules and codes of student conduct.~~

23 B. The Board shall establish criteria for making grants from the Fund, including procedures for
24 determining the amount of a grant and the required local match. Any grant of general funds shall be
25 matched by the locality on the basis of the composite index of local ability to pay. The Board may
26 adopt guidelines governing the Program and the employment and duties of the school resource officers
27 as it deems necessary and appropriate.

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