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19105551D **SENATE BILL NO. 1207** 1 2 AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE 3 (Proposed by the Senate Committee for Courts of Justice 4 on January 23, 2019) 5 (Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Stuart) 6 A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 9.1-101 and 9.1-102 of the Code of Virginia, relating to school 7 protection officers; minimum training standards; exemption. 8 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 9 1. That §§ 9.1-101 and 9.1-102 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows: 10 § 9.1-101. Definitions. As used in this chapter or in Chapter 23 (§ 19.2-387 et seq.) of Title 19.2, unless the context requires 11 12 a different meaning: "Administration of criminal justice" means performance of any activity directly involving the 13 14 detection, apprehension, detention, pretrial release, post-trial release, prosecution, adjudication, 15 correctional supervision, or rehabilitation of accused persons or criminal offenders or the collection, 16 storage, and dissemination of criminal history record information. 17 "Board" means the Criminal Justice Services Board. 18 "Conviction data" means information in the custody of any criminal justice agency relating to a 19 judgment of conviction, and the consequences arising therefrom, in any court. 20 'Correctional status information" means records and data concerning each condition of a convicted person's custodial status, including probation, confinement, work release, study release, escape, or 21 22 termination of custody through expiration of sentence, parole, pardon, or court decision. 23 "Criminal history record information" means records and data collected by criminal justice agencies 24 on adult individuals consisting of identifiable descriptions and notations of arrests, detentions, indictments, informations, or other formal charges, and any disposition arising therefrom. The term shall 25 not include juvenile record information which is controlled by Chapter 11 (§ 16.1-226 et seq.) of Title 26 16.1, criminal justice intelligence information, criminal justice investigative information, or correctional 27 28 status information. 29 "Criminal justice agency" means (i) a court or any other governmental agency or subunit thereof 30 which as its principal function performs the administration of criminal justice and any other agency or 31 subunit thereof which performs criminal justice activities, but only to the extent that it does so; (ii) for 32 the purposes of Chapter 23 (§ 19.2-387 et seq.) of Title 19.2, any private corporation or agency which, 33 within the context of its criminal justice activities, employs special conservators of the peace appointed 34 under Chapter 2 (§ 19.2-12 et seq.) of Title 19.2, provided that (a) such private corporation or agency 35 requires its officers or special conservators to meet compulsory training standards established by the 36 Criminal Justice Services Board and submits reports of compliance with the training standards and (b) 37 the private corporation or agency complies with the provisions of Article 3 (§ 9.1-126 et seq.), but only 38 to the extent that the private corporation or agency so designated as a criminal justice agency performs 39 criminal justice activities; and (iii) the Office of the Attorney General, for all criminal justice activities 40 otherwise permitted under clause (i) and for the purpose of performing duties required by the Civil Commitment of Sexually Violent Predators Act (§ 37.2-900 et seq.). 41 42 "Criminal justice agency" includes any program certified by the Commission on VASAP pursuant to 43 § 18.2-271.2. 44 "Criminal justice agency" includes the Department of Criminal Justice Services. "Criminal justice agency" includes the Virginia State Crime Commission. 45 "Criminal justice information system" means a system including the equipment, facilities, procedures, 46 47 agreements, and organizations thereof, for the collection, processing, preservation, or dissemination of criminal history record information. The operations of the system may be performed manually or by **48** 49 using electronic computers or other automated data processing equipment. 50 "Department" means the Department of Criminal Justice Services. 51 "Dissemination" means any transfer of information, whether orally, in writing, or by electronic means. The term shall not include access to the information by officers or employees of a criminal 52 53 justice agency maintaining the information who have both a need and right to know the information. 54 "Law-enforcement officer" means any full-time or part-time employee of a police department or sheriff's office which is a part of or administered by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision 55 thereof, or any full-time or part-time employee of a private police department, and who is responsible 56 for the prevention and detection of crime and the enforcement of the penal, traffic or highway laws of 57 the Commonwealth, and shall include any (i) special agent of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control 58 Authority; (ii) police agent appointed under the provisions of § 56-353; (iii) officer of the Virginia 59

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60 Marine Police; (iv) conservation police officer who is a full-time sworn member of the enforcement 61 division of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries; (v) investigator who is a full-time sworn member of the security division of the Virginia Lottery; (vi) conservation officer of the Department of 62 63 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 pursuant to § 46.2-217; (viii) 64 65 animal protection police officer employed under § 15.2-632 or 15.2-836.1; (ix) campus police officer 66 appointed under Article 3 (§ 23.1-809 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 23.1; (x) member of the investigations unit designated by the State Inspector General pursuant to § 2.2-311 to investigate 67 allegations of criminal behavior affecting the operations of a state or nonstate agency; (xi) employee 68 with internal investigations authority designated by the Department of Corrections pursuant to 69 subdivision 11 of § 53.1-10 or by the Department of Juvenile Justice pursuant to subdivision A 7 of 70 § 66-3; or (xii) private police officer employed by a private police department. Part-time employees are 71 72 those compensated officers who are not full-time employees as defined by the employing police 73 department, sheriff's office, or private police department.

74 "Private police department" means any police department, other than a department that employs police agents under the provisions of § 56-353, that employs private police officers operated by an entity 75 76 authorized by statute or an act of assembly to establish a private police department or such entity's successor in interest, provided it complies with the requirements set forth herein. No entity is authorized 77 78 to operate a private police department or represent that it is a private police department unless such 79 entity has been authorized by statute or an act of assembly or such entity is the successor in interest of 80 an entity that has been authorized pursuant to this section, provided it complies with the requirements set forth herein. The authority of a private police department shall be limited to real property owned, 81 82 leased, or controlled by the entity and, if approved by the local chief of police or sheriff, any contiguous property; such authority shall not supersede the authority, duties, or jurisdiction vested by law with the 83 84 local police department or sheriff's office including as provided in §§ 15.2-1609 and 15.2-1704. The 85 chief of police or sheriff who is the chief local law-enforcement officer shall enter into a memorandum 86 of understanding with the private police department that addresses the duties and responsibilities of the 87 private police department and the chief law-enforcement officer in the conduct of criminal investigations. 88 Private police departments and private police officers shall be subject to and comply with the 89 Constitution of the United States; the Constitution of Virginia; the laws governing municipal police 90 departments, including the provisions of §§ 9.1-600, 15.2-1705 through 15.2-1708, 15.2-1719, 15.2-1721, and 15.2-1722; and any regulations adopted by the Board that the Department designates as applicable 91 92 to private police departments. Any person employed as a private police officer pursuant to this section 93 shall meet all requirements, including the minimum compulsory training requirements, for 94 law-enforcement officers pursuant to this chapter. A private police officer is not entitled to benefits under the Line of Duty Act (§ 9.1-400 et seq.) or under the Virginia Retirement System, is not a 95 "qualified law enforcement officer" or "qualified retired law enforcement officer" within the meaning of 96 97 the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act, 18 U.S.C. § 926B et seq., and shall not be deemed an 98 employee of the Commonwealth or any locality. An authorized private police department may use the 99 word "police" to describe its sworn officers and may join a regional criminal justice academy created 100 pursuant to Article 5 (§ 15.2-1747 et seq.) of Chapter 17 of Title 15.2. Any private police department in existence on January 1, 2013, that was not otherwise established by statute or an act of assembly and 101 102 whose status as a private police department was recognized by the Department at that time is hereby 103 validated and may continue to operate as a private police department as may such entity's successor in 104 interest, provided it complies with the requirements set forth herein.

"School protection officer" means a retired law-enforcement officer hired on a part-time basis by the 105 106 local law-enforcement agency to provide limited law-enforcement and security services to Virginia 107 public elementary and secondary schools.

'School resource officer" means a certified law-enforcement officer hired by the local 108 109 law-enforcement agency to provide law-enforcement and security services to Virginia public elementary 110 and secondary schools.

111 "School security officer" means an individual who is employed by the local school board for the 112 singular purpose of maintaining order and discipline, preventing crime, investigating violations of school 113 board policies, and detaining students violating the law or school board policies on school property or at 114 school-sponsored events and who is responsible solely for ensuring the safety, security, and welfare of 115 all students, faculty, staff, and visitors in the assigned school. 116

§ 9.1-102. Powers and duties of the Board and the Department.

117 The Department, under the direction of the Board, which shall be the policy-making body for 118 carrying out the duties and powers hereunder, shall have the power and duty to:

1. Adopt regulations, pursuant to the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.), for the 119 120 administration of this chapter including the authority to require the submission of reports and information by law-enforcement officers within the Commonwealth. Any proposed regulations 121

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concerning the privacy, confidentiality, and security of criminal justice information shall be submitted
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
collected and maintained by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof;

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

129 3. Establish minimum training standards and qualifications for certification and recertification for130 law-enforcement officers serving as field training officers;

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
 specific purpose of training law-enforcement officers;

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

138 6. [Repealed];

139 7. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service and advanced training standards for those
140 persons designated to provide courthouse and courtroom security pursuant to the provisions of
141 § 53.1-120, and to establish the time required for completion of such training;

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

9. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service, and advanced training standards, as well as
the time required for completion of such training, for persons employed as deputy sheriffs and jail
officers by local criminal justice agencies, correctional officers employed by the Department of
Corrections under the provisions of Title 53.1, and juvenile correctional officers employed at a juvenile
correctional facility as the term is defined in § 66-25.3;

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

153 11. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for all auxiliary police officers employed by or 154 in any local or state government agency. Such training shall be graduated and based on the type of 155 duties to be performed by the auxiliary police officers. Such training standards shall not apply to 156 auxiliary police officers exempt pursuant to § 15.2-1731;

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

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

164 14. Establish and maintain police training programs through such agencies and institutions as the 165 Board deems appropriate;

166 15. Establish compulsory minimum qualifications of certification and recertification for instructors in167 criminal justice training schools approved by the Department;

168 16. Conduct and stimulate research by public and private agencies which shall be designed to 169 improve police administration and law enforcement;

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

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

175 19. Conduct inquiries and investigations it deems appropriate to carry out its functions under this
176 chapter and, in conducting such inquiries and investigations, may require any criminal justice agency to
177 submit information, reports, and statistical data with respect to its policy and operation of information
178 systems or with respect to its collection, storage, dissemination, and usage of criminal history record
179 information and correctional status information, and such criminal justice agencies shall submit such
180 information, reports, and data as are reasonably required;

181 20. Conduct audits as required by \S 9.1-131;

182 21. Conduct a continuing study and review of questions of individual privacy and confidentiality of

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183 criminal history record information and correctional status information;

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

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

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

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

198 26. Develop a comprehensive, statewide, long-range plan for strengthening and improving law199 enforcement and the administration of criminal justice throughout the Commonwealth, and periodically200 update that plan;

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

206 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;

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

30. Coordinate the activities and projects of the state departments, agencies, and boards of the
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
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;

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

33. 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 money from any governmental unit or public agency, or from any institution, person, firm or corporation, and may 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, 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 conditions and execute such agreements as may be necessary;

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

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

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

243 37. Establish training standards and publish and periodically update model policies for244 law-enforcement personnel in the following subjects:

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245 a. The handling of family abuse, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking cases, including 246 standards for determining the predominant physical aggressor in accordance with § 19.2-81.3. The 247 Department shall provide technical support and assistance to law-enforcement agencies in carrying out 248 the requirements set forth in subsection A of § 9.1-1301;

249 b. Communication with and facilitation of the safe return of individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer's 250 disease;

c. Sensitivity to and awareness of cultural diversity and the potential for biased policing;

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

253 e. Communication of death notifications;

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254 f. The questioning of individuals suspected of driving while intoxicated concerning the physical 255 location of such individual's last consumption of an alcoholic beverage and the communication of such 256 information to the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority;

257 g. Vehicle patrol duties that embody current best practices for pursuits and for responding to 258 emergency calls;

259 h. Criminal investigations that embody current best practices for conducting photographic and live 260 lineups;

261 i. Sensitivity to and awareness of human trafficking offenses and the identification of victims of 262 human trafficking offenses for personnel involved in criminal investigations or assigned to vehicle or 263 street patrol duties; and 264

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

265 38. Establish compulsory training standards for basic training and the recertification of 266 law-enforcement officers to ensure sensitivity to and awareness of cultural diversity and the potential for 267 biased policing;

268 39. Review and evaluate community-policing programs in the Commonwealth, and recommend where 269 necessary statewide operating procedures, guidelines, and standards which strengthen and improve such 270 programs, including sensitivity to and awareness of cultural diversity and the potential for biased 271 policing;

272 40. Establish a Virginia Law-Enforcement Accreditation Center. The Center may, in cooperation with 273 Virginia law-enforcement agencies, provide technical assistance and administrative support, including 274 staffing, for the establishment of voluntary state law-enforcement accreditation standards. The Center 275 may provide accreditation assistance and training, resource material, and research into methods and 276 procedures that will assist the Virginia law-enforcement community efforts to obtain Virginia 277 accreditation status;

278 41. Promote community policing philosophy and practice throughout the Commonwealth by 279 providing community policing training and technical assistance statewide to all law-enforcement 280 agencies, community groups, public and private organizations and citizens; developing and distributing 281 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 282 283 organizations with specific community policing needs; facilitating continued development and 284 implementation of community policing programs statewide through discussion forums for community policing leaders, development of law-enforcement instructors; promoting a statewide community policing 285 286 initiative; and serving as a statewide information source on the subject of community policing including, 287 but not limited to periodic newsletters, a website and an accessible lending library;

288 42. Establish, in consultation with the Department of Education and the Virginia State Crime 289 Commission, compulsory minimum standards for employment and job-entry and in-service training curricula and certification requirements for school security officers, which training and certification shall 290 291 be administered by the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety (VCSCS) pursuant to § 9.1-184. 292 Such training standards shall include, but shall not be limited to, the role and responsibility of school 293 security officers, relevant state and federal laws, school and personal liability issues, security awareness 294 in the school environment, mediation and conflict resolution, disaster and emergency response, and 295 student behavioral dynamics. The Department shall establish an advisory committee consisting of local 296 school board representatives, principals, superintendents, and school security personnel to assist in the 297 development of the standards and certification requirements in this subdivision. The Department shall 298 require any school security officer who carries a firearm in the performance of his duties to provide 299 proof that he has completed a training course provided by a federal, state, or local law-enforcement 300 agency that includes training in active shooter emergency response, emergency evacuation procedure, 301 and threat assessment;

302 43. License and regulate property bail bondsmen and surety bail bondsmen in accordance with 303 Article 11 (§ 9.1-185 et seq.);

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

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

308 46. Establish minimum standards for (i) employment, (ii) job-entry and in-service training curricula, 309 and (iii) certification requirements for campus security officers. Such training standards shall include, but 310 not be limited to, the role and responsibility of campus security officers, relevant state and federal laws, 311 school and personal liability issues, security awareness in the campus environment, and disaster and 312 emergency 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 313 314 procedures, including but not limited to: the management of such departments, investigatory procedures, judicial referrals, the establishment and management of databases for campus safety and security 315 information sharing, and development of uniform record keeping for disciplinary records and statistics, 316 such as campus crime logs, judicial referrals and Clery Act statistics. The Department shall establish an 317 318 advisory committee consisting of college administrators, college police chiefs, college security department chiefs, and local law-enforcement officials to assist in the development of the standards and 319 320 certification requirements and training pursuant to this subdivision;

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

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

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

328 50. Administer the activities of the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Program Professional
 329 Standards Committee by providing technical assistance and administrative support, including staffing, for
 330 the 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.);

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

53. In consultation with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, develop a 336 model addiction recovery program that may be administered by sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, jail officers, 337 338 administrators, or superintendents in any local or regional jail. Such program shall be based on any 339 existing addiction recovery programs that are being administered by any local or regional jails in the 340 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, 341 342 peer-to-peer support, availability of mental health resources, family dynamics, and aftercare aspects of 343 the recovery process; and

344 54. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for all persons employed as school protection
345 officers. Such training may be provided by the employing law-enforcement agency and shall be
346 graduated and based on the type of duties to be performed; and

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