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103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BRATTIN.

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 160.665, 170.315, 590.010, and 590.205, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 160.665, 170.315, 590.010, and

- 2 590.205, RSMo, are repealed and four new sections enacted in
- 3 lieu thereof, to be known as sections 160.665, 170.315, 590.010,
- 4 and 590.205, to read as follows:

160.665. 1. Any school district or charter school

- 2 within the state may designate one or more [elementary or
- 3 secondary school teachers or administrators] employees of
- 4 the district or charter school as a school protection
- 5 officer. The responsibilities and duties of a school
- 6 protection officer are voluntary and shall be in addition to
- 7 the normal responsibilities and duties of the [teacher or
- 8 administrator] employee. Any compensation for additional
- 9 duties relating to service as a school protection officer
- 10 shall be funded by the local school district, with no state
- 11 funds used for such purpose.
- 12 2. Any person designated by a school district or
- 13 charter school as a school protection officer shall be
- 14 authorized to carry concealed firearms or a self-defense
- 15 spray device in any school in the district. A self-defense
- 16 spray device shall mean any device that is capable of

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

17 carrying, and that ejects, releases, or emits, a nonlethal

- 18 solution or projectile capable of incapacitating a violent
- 19 threat. The school protection officer shall not be
- 20 permitted to allow any firearm or device out of his or her
- 21 personal control while that firearm or device is on school
- 22 property. Any school protection officer who violates this
- 23 subsection may be removed immediately from the classroom and
- 24 subject to employment termination proceedings.
- 25 3. A school protection officer has the same authority
- 26 to detain or use force against any person on school property
- as provided to any other person under chapter 563.
- 4. Upon detention of a person under subsection 3 of
- 29 this section, the school protection officer shall
- 30 immediately notify a school administrator and a school
- 31 resource officer, if such officer is present at the school.
- 32 If the person detained is a student then the parents or
- 33 guardians of the student shall also be immediately notified
- 34 by a school administrator.
- 35 5. Any person detained by a school protection officer
- 36 shall be turned over to a school administrator or law
- 37 enforcement officer as soon as practically possible and
- 38 shall not be detained by a school protection officer for
- 39 more than one hour.
- 40 6. Any [teacher or administrator of an elementary or
- 41 secondary school] employee of a school district or charter
- 42 **school** who seeks to be designated as a school protection
- 43 officer shall request such designation in writing, and
- 44 submit it to the superintendent of the school district or
- 45 the executive director of the charter school governing board
- 46 which employs him or her [as a teacher or administrator].
- 47 Along with this request, any [teacher or administrator]
- 48 **employee** seeking to carry a concealed firearm on school

49 property shall also submit proof that he or she has a valid

50 concealed carry endorsement or permit, and all [teachers and

- administrators] **employees** seeking the designation of school
- 52 protection officer shall submit a certificate of school
- 53 protection officer training program completion from a
- 54 training program approved by the director of the department
- of public safety which demonstrates that such person has
- 56 successfully completed the training requirements established
- 57 by the POST commission under chapter 590 for school
- 58 protection officers.
- 59 7. No school district or charter school may designate
- 60 [a teacher or administrator] an employee as a school
- 61 protection officer unless such person has successfully
- 62 completed a school protection officer training program,
- 63 which has been approved by the director of the department of
- 64 public safety. No school district or charter school shall
- allow a school protection officer to carry a concealed
- 66 firearm on school property unless the school protection
- officer has a valid concealed carry endorsement or permit.
- 8. Any school district or charter school that
- 69 designates [a teacher or administrator] an employee as a
- 70 school protection officer shall, within thirty days, notify,
- 71 in writing, the director of the department of public safety
- 72 of the designation, which shall include the following:
- 73 (1) The full name, date of birth, and address of the
- 74 officer;
- 75 (2) The name of the school district; and
- 76 (3) The date such person was designated as a school
- 77 protection officer.
- 78 Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary,
- 79 any identifying information collected under the authority of

this subsection shall not be considered public information and shall not be subject to a request for public records made under chapter 610.

- 9. A school district or charter school may revoke the designation of a person as a school protection officer for any reason and shall immediately notify the designated school protection officer in writing of the revocation. The school district or charter school shall also within thirty days of the revocation notify the director of the department of public safety in writing of the revocation of the designation of such person as a school protection officer.

 A person who has had the designation of school protection officer revoked has no right to appeal the revocation decision.
- 10. The director of the department of public safety shall maintain a listing of all persons designated by school districts and charter schools as school protection officers and shall make this list available to all law enforcement agencies.
- or administrator] If an employee submits a request for designation as a school protection officer to the superintendent of the school district or executive director of the charter school governing board, the school board or governing board shall promptly hold a public hearing [on] and determine by a vote at the hearing whether to allow such designation. Notice of the hearing shall be published at least fifteen days before the date of the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within the city or county in which the school district is located. The request for designation as a school protection officer shall also require the school board [may determine at] or governing

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112 board to hold a closed meeting, as "closed meeting" is 113 defined under section 610.010, and determine by a vote at 114 the closed meeting whether to authorize the designated 115 school protection officer to carry a concealed firearm or a 116 self-defense spray device. The school board or governing 117 board shall hold the closed meeting and vote on the issue 118 regardless of whether the employee specifically requested 119 authorization to carry a concealed firearm or a self-defense spray device on school property in his or her request for 120 121 designation as a school protection officer.

- 12. Each school district and charter school shall consider implementing a school protection officer program consistent with the provisions of this section. The school board of each school district and governing board of each charter school shall hold a public hearing and determine by a vote at the hearing whether to implement such a program.
- 13. Any school board or governing board that approves
 a school protection officer program by a vote described in
 subsection 11 of this section shall notify all the employees
 of the school district or charter school of the program and
 the option to request designation as a school protection
 officer.
 - 170.315. 1. (1) There is hereby established the "Active Shooter and Intruder Response Training for Schools Program (ASIRT)".
- 4 (2) For each school year ending before July 1, [2026]
 5 2027, each school district and charter school [may] shall
 6 include in its teacher and school employee training a
 7 component on how to properly respond to students who provide
 8 them with information about a threatening situation and how
 9 to address situations in which there is a potentially
 10 dangerous or armed intruder in the school. Training [may]

11 shall also include information and techniques on how to

- 12 address situations where an active shooter is present in the
- 13 school or on school property.
- 14 (3) For the 2026-27 school year and all subsequent
- 15 school years, each school district and charter school shall
- 16 include in its teacher and school employee training
- 17 components on:
- (a) How to properly respond to students who provide a
- 19 teacher or school employee with information about a
- 20 threatening situation;
- 21 (b) How to address situations in which there is a
- 22 potentially dangerous or armed intruder in the school;
- (c) Information and techniques on how to address
- 24 situations where an active shooter is present in the school
- or on school property;
- 26 (d) How to identify potential threats or safety
- 27 hazards; and
- (e) Protocols for emergencies in the school including,
- 29 but not limited to:
- 30 a. Evacuations;
- 31 b. Severe weather;
- 32 c. Earthquakes;
- 33 d. Fire; and
- 34 e. Medical.
- 35 2. For the 2026-27 school year and all subsequent
- 36 school years, each school district and charter school that
- 37 elects to provide such training shall conduct the training
- 38 on an annual basis. The length of training shall be
- 39 determined by the school district or charter school electing
- 40 to provide such training.
- 41 3. All school [personnel] employees may participate in
- 42 a simulated active shooter and intruder response drill

- 43 conducted and led by law enforcement professionals or school
- 44 safety professionals. Each drill shall include an
- 45 explanation of its purpose and a safety briefing.
- 4. All instructors for the program shall be certified
- 47 by the department of public safety's peace officers
- 48 standards training commission.
- 49 5. School districts and charter schools may consult
- 50 and collaborate with law enforcement authorities, emergency
- 51 response agencies, and other organizations and entities
- 52 trained to deal with active shooters or potentially
- dangerous or armed intruders.
- 6. Public schools shall actively foster an environment
- 55 in which students feel comfortable sharing information they
- 56 have regarding a potentially threatening or dangerous
- 57 situation with a responsible adult. As part of each public
- 58 school's efforts to actively foster such environment, each
- 59 public school shall annually provide age-appropriate
- 60 information and training on the Missouri state highway
- 61 patrol's Courage2ReportMO (C2R) reporting mechanism or its
- 62 successor reporting mechanism.
- 7. For the 2026-27 school year and all subsequent
- 64 school years, each school district and charter school shall
- 65 hold an age-appropriate active shooter exercise in which
- 66 students, teachers, and other school employees participate
- 67 in and practice the procedures for safety and protection to
- 68 be implemented under such conditions.
 - 590.010. As used in this chapter, the following terms
- 2 mean:
- 3 (1) "Commission", when not obviously referring to the
- 4 POST commission, means a grant of authority to act as a
- 5 peace officer;

6 (2) "Director", the director of the Missouri
7 department of public safety or his or her designated agent
8 or representative;

- 9 (3) "Peace officer", a law enforcement officer of the 10 state or any political subdivision of the state with the 11 power of arrest for a violation of the criminal code or 12 declared or deemed to be a peace officer by state statute;
- 13 (4) "POST commission", the peace officer standards and
 14 training commission;
 - (5) "Reserve peace officer", a peace officer who regularly works less than thirty hours per week;
 - (6) "School protection officer", an [elementary or secondary school teacher or administrator] employee of a school district or charter school who has been designated as a school protection officer [by a school district].
 - 590.205. 1. The POST commission shall establish minimum standards for school protection officer training instructors, training centers, and training programs.
 - 2. The director shall develop and maintain a list of approved school protection officer training instructors, training centers, and training programs. The director shall allow private companies to serve as training centers and operate training programs under this section. The director shall not place any instructor, training center, or training program on its approved list unless such instructor, training center, or training program meets all of the POST commission requirements under this section and section 590.200. The director shall make this approved list available to every school district in the state. The required training to become a school protection officer

shall be provided by those firearm instructors, private and

17 public, who have successfully completed a department of

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public safety POST certified law enforcement firearms
instructor school.

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- 20 3. Each person seeking entrance into a school 21 protection officer training center or training program shall 22 submit a fingerprint card and authorization for a criminal 23 history background check to include the records of the 24 Federal Bureau of Investigation to the training center or 25 training program where such person is seeking entrance. The 26 training center or training program shall cause a criminal history background check to be made and shall cause the 27 28 resulting report to be forwarded to the school district 29 where the [elementary school teacher or administrator] 30 employee is seeking to be designated as a school protection 31 officer.
- 4. No person shall be admitted to a school protection officer training center or training program unless such person submits proof to the training center or training program that he or she has a valid concealed carry endorsement or permit.
- 37 5. A certificate of school protection officer training 38 program completion may be issued to any applicant by any 39 approved school protection officer training instructor. On 40 the certificate of program completion the approved school 41 protection officer training instructor shall affirm that the individual receiving instruction has taken and passed a 42 43 school protection officer training program that meets the 44 requirements of this section and section 590.200 and 45 indicate whether the individual has a valid concealed carry 46 endorsement or permit. The instructor shall also provide a 47 copy of such certificate to the director of the department 48 of public safety.

- 6. The POST commission shall establish requirements
 for the continuing education of all school protection
 officers. All school protection officers shall annually
 receive twenty hours of firearms skill development training.
- 7. At least two times each year, all school protection officers shall participate in a joint training on school protection with a local law enforcement agency.

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