

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 (Wise) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

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Delete lines 97 - 123 and insert:

- (4) (a) Each district school board shall enter into agreements with the county sheriff's office and local police department specifying guidelines for ensuring that acts that pose a serious threat to school safety, whether committed by a student or adult, are reported to a law enforcement agency.
 - (b) The agreements must prescribe: include
- 1. The role of school resource officers, if applicable, in handling reported incidents that pose a serious threat to school



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- 2. The circumstances and offenses that in which school officials shall may handle incidents without filing a report with a law enforcement agency, and a procedure for ensuring that school personnel properly report appropriate delinquent acts and crimes.
- (c) Zero-tolerance policies do not require the reporting of petty acts of misconduct and misdemeanors to a law enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, disorderly conduct, disrupting a school function, simple assault or battery, affray, theft of less than \$300, trespassing, and vandalism of less than \$1,000.
- (d) The school principal shall ensure that all school personnel are properly informed of as to their responsibilities regarding crime reporting, that appropriate delinquent acts and crimes are properly reported, and that actions taken in cases with special circumstances are properly managed taken and documented. In addition, the school principal shall certify to the superintendent, in writing, of the arrest of a student who is under the jurisdiction of the district school board for an act that poses a serious threat to school safety.