

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Premiere Bill	Red Bill # SBP 16						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 3						
Authors: Alex Parham, Matthew Hershberger, Evan Murray	Action on the Bill <table> <tr> <th>House</th> <th>Senate</th> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> <td>___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated</td> </tr> </table>	House	Senate	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Passed	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	___ <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated
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School: Martha Layne Collins High School							
City: Shelbyville							

1 An act to require all elementary, middle, and high schools to have a school resource officer on campus at all
2 times.
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4 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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6 Section 1: School shootings are huge tragedies that affect families and communities for years afterward.
7 These killers often face no opposition in schools, other than a few unarmed individuals. "The only way to
8 stop a bad guy with a gun is with a good guy with a gun." School resource officers would be a vital asset in
9 stopping and preventing school shootings from occurring. They are also instrumental in stopping fights,
10 bullying, thefts, and other problems at school. More than 90 percent of the officers avert between one and
11 25 violent acts in an average school year.
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13 Section 2: A study by the state of Illinois has shown that more than half of the school attacks ended before
14 law enforcement arrived. These officers would provide a much faster response method to attacks compared
15 to standard law enforcement interventions. The payment for these officers would come out of the local
16 school district's budget, replacing things such as classroom and building repairs, which could be done less
17 often.
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19 Section 3: These resource officers are former police officers who have to have been an officer for a minimum
20 of five years. These officers remain active law enforcement when school is not in session, so they are
21 experienced and highly trained individuals whose job is to protect and serve their local community. These
22 officers also should organize school-based programs to educate students about their job and law related
23 topics.
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25 Section 4: This bill will take effect on the beginning of the school year in 2014.