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1 An act to require all public elementary, middle and high schools to have a school resource officer present at 2 school every day school is in session. 3 4

## Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

5 6 Section 1: A community's worst nightmare is violence at their local school. All schools need School Resource 7 Officers (SRO) to create a safer learning environment which is a critical component of preparing children to 8 be successful and contributing to society. A safe school is the foundation for academic success. When SRO's 9 are integrated into a school system, the benefits go way beyond reduced violence in schools. 10

11 Section 2: School safety should be a concern for everyone -- local, state and federal. Therefore, the funding 12 for SRO's will come from an increase in Safe School Funding provided from the state level, a portion from the 13 local school boards, as well as a percentage from the federal government. SRO's will actually be employed by 14 each county's sheriffs' department but will be on contract and paid for by each school system. 15

16 Section 3: SRO's build relationship with students while serving as a resource to students, teachers, and 17 administrators to help solve problems. Their duties would include mentoring, bullying, prevention, security, 18 various presentations, crime prevention, policing drug activity, behavior management, safety drills, and other 19 related issues. These officers would be an asset and resource to the school and not simply a disciplinary 20 force to "catch" student misbehavior.

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22 Section 4: This bill will take effect at the beginning of the 2015–16 school year.