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Summary Public Safety Workgroup Recommendations January 31, 2012

Recommendation Number	Proposal	Budget Impact
PS-01	<i>Immunity From Civil Liability</i> – This proposal expands current Virginia law by extending immunity to any person who reports, with good faith, information that an individual poses credible danger of serious bodily injury or death to one or more students, school personnel, or others on school property.	No budget impact
PS-02	<i>Lockdown Drills Mandated</i> – Mandates schools to conduct one lockdown drill by February 1 of each year.	No budget impact
PS-03	Designation of Emergency Manager For Schools – Each school division within the Commonwealth shall designate an Emergency Manager who can coordinate school preparedness within the division and also coordinate with the locality in which they reside.	No budget impact
PS-04	<i>Juvenile Records Information Sharing</i> Facilitates sharing of juvenile intake and petition information with school divisions and public and private institutions of higher education.	No budget impact
PS-05	Public Safety Study – The Public Safety Workgroup of the Governor's School and Campus Safety Taskforce will evaluate and assess the feasibility of armed security positions within the school building weighing the pros and cons and assessing the risks and liability concerns. Report will be provided by June 30, 2013.	Budget Impact
PS-06	<i>Restores § 9.1-110 Funding For SRO Incentive Grant Fund</i> Recommend appropriation of funds to replenish the School Resource Officer Incentive Grant Fund.	Budget Impact
PS-07	<i>Critical Incident Response Model Curriculum</i> – Directs DCJS, VSP, and DOE to develop model Critical Incident Response training for teachers.	Budget Impact
PS-08	Mandatory Establishment of Security and Vulnerability Checklists and Sharing of Crisis Management Plans with Law Enforcement and First Responders – A - Mandates an annual school safety team vulnerability checklist be conducted using a standardized safety protocol provided by the VCSS and inclusive of CPTED principles. Results of such checklist will be shared with local law enforcement. B - Requires School Superintendants to share the results/findings of safety audits with the Chief Law Enforcement Officer, and school crisis, emergency and medical response plans with the Chief Law Enforcement Officer and Chief Fire/EMS official of their locality.	Budget Impact
PS-09	Funding For Facility Upgrades – Proposes the creation of a fund to provide grants and loans to localities, subject to local match, for facility upgrades of older facilities to improve security.	Budget Impact
PS-10	<i>Mandatory Study of College Threat Assessment Teams</i> DCJS will conduct a study to determine compliance with 2008 legislation and evaluate the nature and quality of threat assessment teams in Virginia colleges and universities. Recommendations will be made to the General Assembly on needed improvements. Universities will be	Budget Impact

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	Funding For Threat Assessment Protocols Creates a fund within	
PS-12	the Virginia Center for School Safety to provide technical assistance to	Budget Impact
	localities for developing threat assessment-based protocols.	
PS-13	<i>Mandated K-12 Threat Assessment Teams</i> Requires each School Board to establish a violence prevention committee and requires each K-12 school to have a threat assessment team similar to those in § 23- 9.2:10 of the Code of Virginia.	Budget Impact
PS-14	Criminal Offenses Straw-man purchases, prohibited under existing Virginia law, occur when a person who lawfully may purchase a firearm purchases a firearm with the intent to transfer that firearm to a person who is ineligible to purchase a firearm. Depending on circumstances, this is punishable either as a Class 6 felony (1-5 years) or as a Class 5 felony. (1-10 years). This proposal increases the punishment for all straw-man transactions, adds a mandatory 1 year punishment for the purchaser, and adds a new mandatory punishment of 10 years for the ineligible person if the transaction involves multiple firearms.	Budget Impact
PS-15	<i>Criminal Offenses</i> Virginia law (Virginia Code §§ 18.2-308.1:1, 18.2-308.1:2, 18.2-308.1:3 and 18.2-308.1:4) presently prohibits purchase or transport of firearms by: 1) persons acquitted by reason of insanity; 2) persons adjudicated legally incompetent or mentally incapacitated; 3) persons involuntarily committed or involuntarily admitted to outpatient treatment, or voluntarily admitted following the issuance of a temporary detention order; and 4) persons subject to protective orders. A violation of state law is punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor (up to 12 months in jail). Violation of parallel provisions of federal law presently is a felony. This proposal would increase the punishment for the state law violation to a Class 6 felony, punishable by 1-5 years in prison or, in the discretion of the court, up to 12 months in jail.	Budget Impact
PS-16	 Criminal Offenses – Creates new criminal offenses for entering a school while armed or while in possession of an explosive device while intending to commit a violent felony listed in Code § 19.2-297.1. Proposed punishment is a Class 5 felony (1-10 years). 	Budget Impact
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