

February 23, 2009

**S 270. CHAR/MECK SCHOOL BOARD POLICE.** Filed 2/23/09. *TO ALLOW THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION TO MAINTAIN A CAMPUS POLICE AGENCY.*

Directs that the provisions of the proposed new section to GS Chapter 115C apply only to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education.

Enacts new GS 115C-47.1 to permit a local board of education (local board) to establish a campus law enforcement agency and to employ campus police officers (officers). Directs that these officers must (1) meet the requirements of GS Chapter 17C (regarding the NC Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission), and (2) take the oath of office prescribed by Article VI, Section 7, of the NC Constitution. Confers all the powers generally held by law enforcement officers on these officers. Provides that the officers are to have territorial jurisdiction that includes all property owned by or leased to the employing local board of education and any portion of a public road or highway passing through the property or immediately adjoining it.

Permits a local board that establishes a campus law enforcement agency to enter into joint agreements with the governing board of any municipality to extend the law enforcement authority of campus police officers into the municipality's jurisdiction and to determine the circumstances under which this extension of authority may be granted.

Also permits a local board that establishes a campus law enforcement agency to enter into joint agreements with the governing board of any county, with the sheriff's consent, to extend the law enforcement authority of campus police officers into the county and to determine the circumstances under which this extension of authority may be granted.

**Intro. by Clodfelter.**

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