

Executive Summary Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting Agenda Item

MEETING: Planning DATE: 8/8/2022

TOPIC: House Bill 63 /School Safety and Resiliency Act

PREPARED BY: Chief Martin Schafer

Recommended Action on: 8/29/2022

Action Item for Vote (REGULAR MEETING)

Superintendent Prior Approval: Yes

Recommendation/Motion: Approval by the FCPS School Board to create a police department operated by the school district. FCPS sworn police officers are then deemed public police officers per House Bill 63 effective July 15, 2022.

Background/Rationale: In 2019, the School Safety and Resiliency Act enhanced school safety measures across the Commonwealth of Kentucky. One requirement from this Act and further emphasized in House Bill 63 is local boards of education shall ensure, for each campus in the district, that at least one certified school resource officer is assigned to and working on-site full-time in the school building. Facilitating this requirement, House Bill 63 authorizes that school boards can operate their own police department under this law and do not require additional authority as was previously required as Special Law Enforcement Officers (KRS 61 .900-61.930)

Policy: House Bill 63

Fiscal Impact: This action will save district funds as SLEO renewals are paid for each officer every 4 years.

Data Considerations: 8/29/2022

Strategic Priority: N/A

Attachments(s): Attached with Email