

SENATE BILL 315

By Niceley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5;
Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 38 and Title 49, relative
to school safety.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 42, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

(a) Notwithstanding another law to the contrary, a county or municipality may
enter into a contract or memorandum of understanding with a nonpublic school
authorizing the county's or municipality's law enforcement agency to provide school
resource officers to the nonpublic school.

(b) A school resource officer assigned to a nonpublic school must comply with
the employment standards for school resource officers outlined in § 49-6-4217.

(c) A contract or memorandum of understanding may stipulate:

(1) The duties and responsibilities of the parties;

(2) The burden of liability that arises from negligence or gross negligence
by any party. A county or municipality may waive sovereign immunity for one (1)
or more law enforcement officers for purposes of executing a contract or
memorandum of understanding under this section;

(3) The length of the contract or memorandum of understanding;

(4) Salary, benefits, and schedule; and

(5) Any other provisions that the parties to the contract or memorandum
of understanding deem necessary to effectuate the contract or memorandum of
understanding.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.