



General Assembly

February Session, 2008

Substitute Bill No. 5659

* HB05659GAE 031108 *

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SECURITY OF CHILDREN AT POLLING LOCATIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 9-230 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 The registrars of voters may request the head of the police
4 department of the municipality, or, if none, a constable serving such
5 municipality, to provide police protection at any polling place of any
6 regular or special state or municipal election where they may
7 anticipate disorder or a risk to child safety, if such polling place is a
8 school, provided such registrars of voters first consult with the school
9 principal, if applicable. The moderator of such election may, when any
10 disorder arises in such election and the offender refuses to submit to
11 the moderator's lawful authority, order any officer with power of
12 arrest to take the offender into custody and, if necessary, to remove the
13 offender from such election until the offender conforms to order or, if
14 need be, until such election is closed, and thereupon such officer may
15 command all necessary assistance. Any person refusing to assist when
16 commanded shall be liable to the same penalties as for refusing to
17 assist constables in the execution of their duties, but no person
18 commanded to assist shall be deprived of such person's right to vote at
19 such election, nor shall the offender be so deprived any longer than the

20 offender refuses to conform to order.

21 Sec. 2. Section 10-220 of the general statutes is amended by adding
22 subsection (e) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

23 (NEW) (e) Annually, the board of education of each local or regional
24 school district shall prepare and review a security plan that addresses
25 the potential safety risks to its schools and students who attend such
26 schools. Such security plan shall include, but not be limited to, parking
27 procedures, designated ingress and egress locations, emergency
28 communications systems and security personnel protocols.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	9-230
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	10-220

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In section 2, the word "personal" was changed to "personnel" for purposes of accuracy.

GAE *Joint Favorable Subst.-LCO*