

1 HB309  
2 197906-1  
3 By Representative Carns  
4 RFD: Public Safety and Homeland Security  
5 First Read: 02-APR-19

2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the president or chief  
9 executive officer of certain educational  
10 institutions may appoint and employ one or more  
11 suitable persons to act as police officers to keep  
12 off intruders and prevent trespass upon, and damage  
13 to, the property of the college or university or of  
14 the institute.

15 This bill would authorize the president or a  
16 chief executive officer of Madison Academy and  
17 Briarwood Presbyterian Church and its integrated  
18 auxiliary Briarwood Christian School to appoint and  
19 employ one or more suitable persons to act as  
20 police officers to keep off intruders and prevent  
21 trespass upon, and damage to, the property of the  
22 school or academy.

23  
24 A BILL  
25 TO BE ENTITLED  
26 AN ACT  
27

1                   Relating to law enforcement; to amend Section  
2                   16-22-1, Code of Alabama 1975, to authorize the president or  
3                   chief executive officer of Madison Academy and Briarwood  
4                   Presbyterian Church and its integrated auxiliary Briarwood  
5                   Christian School to appoint and employ one or more suitable  
6                   persons to act as police officers to protect the property of  
7                   the school or academy.

8                   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

9                   Section 1. Section 16-22-1, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
10                  amended to read as follows:

11                  "§16-22-1.

12                  "(a) The president or chief executive officer of any  
13                  state college or university, the president or chief executive  
14                  officer of the Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, and the  
15                  Presidents or chief executive officers of Talladega College,  
16                  Concordia College, Samford University, Birmingham-Southern  
17                  College, Miles College, Stillman College, Tuskegee University,  
18                  Spring Hill College, Faulkner University, ~~and~~ Selma  
19                  University, Madison Academy, and Briarwood Presbyterian Church  
20                  and its integrated auxiliary Briarwood Christian School may  
21                  appoint and employ one or more suitable persons to act as  
22                  police officers to keep off intruders and prevent trespass  
23                  upon and damage to the property of the college or university  
24                  or of the institute. These persons shall be charged with all  
25                  the duties and invested with all the powers of police  
26                  officers.

1           "(b) Any person appointed to act as a police  
2 officer, pursuant to subsection (a), while on duty, shall  
3 carry and be trained in the proper use of a nonlethal weapon.  
4 For the purposes of this subsection, a nonlethal weapon is a  
5 weapon that is explicitly designed and primarily employed to  
6 immediately incapacitate the targeted person while minimizing  
7 fatalities and permanent injury. A nonlethal weapon is  
8 intended to have a reversible effect on the targeted person.

9           "(c) A person appointed as a police officer pursuant  
10 to subsection (a) shall be certified through the Alabama Peace  
11 Officers' Standards and Training Commission.

12           "(d) This section is cumulative."

13           Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
14 first day of the third month following its passage and  
15 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.