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# REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

(Pitts, Lowe, GM Smith, Hosey & Finlay – Staff Contact: Katie Owen)

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## HOUSE BILL 3566

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H. 3566 -- Reps. Lowe, Pitts, Jordan and White: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 23-23-150 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL SHALL DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR A ONE-WEEK TRAINING PROGRAM OFFERED BY THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY TO SCHOOL FIRST RESPONDERS THAT CERTIFIES THEM TO POSSESS FIREARMS ON SCHOOL PREMISES, AND TO PROVIDE THE CONDITIONS UPON WHICH SCHOOL FIRST RESPONDERS MAY POSSESS FIREARMS ON SCHOOL PREMISES, AND TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO CREATE THIS PROGRAM.

***Summary of Bill:***

This bill requires the Law Enforcement Training Council to develop a one-week training program that would certify a first responder to possess a firearm on a school premise. The training program must be offered by the Criminal Justice Academy.

***Estimated Revenue Impact:***

Pending

***Subcommittee Recommendation:***

Favorable with Amendment

HOUSE  
AMENDMENT

THIS AMENDMENT  
ADOPTED

MCINTOSH/THURMOND  
MARCH 9, 2017

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CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT NO. TO H. 3566 (H-WM\STAFF\KATIE\LEGISLATION\FY 17 - 18\H. 3566 AMENDMENT):

REFERENCE IS TO THE BILL AS INTRODUCED.

**AMEND THE BILL, AS AND IF AMENDED, SECTION 23-23-150, AS CONTAINED IN SECTION 1, BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATELY LETTERED SUBSECTION:**

**/( ) THE FIRST RESPONDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM. /**

**RENUMBER SECTIONS TO CONFORM.**

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM.**

**South Carolina General Assembly**  
122nd Session, 2017-2018

**H. 3566**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

General Bill

Sponsors: Reps. Lowe, Pitts, Jordan and White

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Introduced in the House on January 24, 2017

Currently residing in the House Committee on **Ways and Means**

Summary: Law Enforcement Training Council

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Body</u>	<u>Action Description with journal page number</u>
1/24/2017	House	Introduced and read first time ( <u>House Journal-page 28</u> )
1/24/2017	House	Referred to Committee on <b>Ways and Means</b> ( <u>House Journal-page 28</u> )

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**VERSIONS OF THIS BILL**

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**A BILL**

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Chapter 23, Title 23 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 23-23-150. (A) As contained in this section, ‘school first responder’ means any person who responds to a school emergency.

(B) The Law Enforcement Training Council shall develop guidelines for a one-week training program that the Criminal Justice Academy shall offer to a school first responder that certifies him to possess a firearm on a school premise. The program must include:

- (1) shoot/don’t shoot training;
- (2) school safety protection training;
- (3) rapid response training;
- (4) identifying and containing potential threats and occurring threats;
- (5) defusing volatile situations and resolving conflict;

1 (6) communicating with law enforcement that has jurisdiction  
2 over the school;  
3 (7) first responder first aid; and  
4 (8) other training that the council considers appropriate.  
5 (C) A school first responder may possess a firearm on a school  
6 premise if he:  
7 (1) holds a valid concealed weapons permit pursuant to  
8 Article 4, Chapter 31, Title 23; and  
9 (2) has completed the training program contained in  
10 subsection (B).  
11 (D) From its fiscal year 2017-2018 appropriations from the  
12 General Assembly, the Law Enforcement Training Council shall use  
13 nine thousand dollars for the purpose of establishing the program  
14 contained in this section.”  
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16 SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.  
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