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House of Representatives, March 21, 2017

An Act To Exempt School Resource Officers from Department of Education Background Check and Fingerprinting Requirements

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative HAGGAN of Hampden.
Cosponsored by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot and
Representatives: BATTLE of South Portland, CHACE of Durham, HARRINGTON of
Sanford, SIMMONS of Waldoboro.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6103, sub-§11** is enacted to read:

3 **11. Exemptions.** A law enforcement officer from a local law enforcement agency
4 with jurisdiction over a school's premises who assists with school security, safety,
5 emergency preparedness or emergency response or has been assigned other
6 responsibilities concerning the school by the school or the local law enforcement agency
7 is exempt from the provisions of this section.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill exempts from the school personnel background check and fingerprinting
10 requirements law enforcement officers from a local law enforcement agency with
11 jurisdiction over a school's premises, commonly called school resource officers, who
12 assist with school security, safety, emergency preparedness or emergency response or has
13 been assigned other responsibilities concerning the school by the school or the local law
14 enforcement agency.