

AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To amend the School Safety and Security Contracting Procedures Act of 2004 to require the School Safety Division of the Metropolitan Police Department to provide recommendations by July 31<sup>st</sup> of each year to the Mayor, the Council, and the Chancellor of the District of Columbia Public Schools regarding the impact of school closings, consolidations, grade reconfigurations, use of swing space during school reconstruction, and gang activity on the safety and well-being of children in District of Columbia Public Schools, and to require the School Safety Division to develop a plan for protecting children walking to and from school and for protecting children from gang and crew violence on, in, and around District of Columbia Public Schools property, and to provide the plan to the Mayor, the Council, and the Chancellor of the District of Columbia Schools by August 15<sup>th</sup> of each year; and to amend the School Proximity Traffic Calming Act of 2000 to require the District Department of Transportation to provide recommendations by July 31<sup>st</sup> of each year on the deployment of school crossing guards to the Mayor, the Council, the Chancellor of the District of Columbia Schools, and the Chief of the Metropolitan Police Department.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “School Safety and Security Contracting Amendment Act of 2008”.

Sec. 2. The School Safety and Security Contracting Procedures Act of 2004, effective April 13, 2005 (D.C. Law 15-350; D.C. Official Code § 5-132.01 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 101 (D.C. Official Code § 5-132.01) is amended as follows:

(1) Redesignate paragraph (1) as paragraph (1A).

(2) A new paragraph (1) is added to read as follows:

“(1) “Chancellor” means the Chancellor of the District of Columbia Public Schools.”.

(b) Section 102 (D.C. Official Code § 5-132.02) is amended as follows:

(1) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase “an Assistant Chief” and inserting the phrase “a Commander or above” in its place.

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§ 5-132.01

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§ 5-132.02

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(2) Subsection (c) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (4) is amended by striking the phrase “; and” and inserting a semicolon in its place.

(B) Paragraph (5) is amended by striking the phrase “Superintendent.” and inserting the phrase “Chancellor; and” in its place.

(C) A new paragraph (6) is added to read as follows:

“(6) Provide recommendations to the Mayor, the Council, and the Chancellor regarding the impact of school closings, consolidations, grade reconfigurations, use of swing space during school reconstruction, and gang activity on the safety and well-being of children.”.

(3) A new subsection (d) is added to read as follows:

“(d)(1) The School Safety Division shall develop a plan to be implemented before the beginning of each DCPS school year for protecting children walking to and from school and for protecting children from gang and crew violence on, in, and around DCPS property. Beginning in 2009, this plan shall be provided to the Mayor, the Council, and the Chancellor, by August 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.

“(2) The plan shall include a description of:

“(A) Safety issues children may face during passage to and from school, and recommended solutions to these issues; and

“(B) A description of specific gang and crew conflicts and recommended solutions for the protection of children from gang and crew violence on, in, and around DCPS property.

“(3) The plan shall incorporate the recommendations of the District Department of Transportation on the deployment of school crossing guards required under section 2(f-1) of the School Proximity Traffic Calming Act of 2000, effective May 23, 2000 (D.C. Law 13-111; D.C. Official Code § 38-3101(f-1)).”.

(c) Section 103 (D.C. Official Code § 5-132.03) is amended as follows:

**Amend  
§ 5-132.03**

(1) Paragraph (7) is amended by striking the phrase “; and” and inserting a semicolon in its place.

(2) Paragraph (8) is amended by striking the phrase “ground.” and inserting the phrase “grounds; and” in its place.

(3) A new paragraph (9) is added to read as follows:

“(9) Gang and crew violence prevention.”.

Sec. 3. Section 2 of the School Proximity Traffic Calming Act of 2000, effective May 23, 2000 (D.C. Law 13-111; D.C. Official Code § 38-3101), is amended by adding a new subsection (f-1) to read as follows:

**Amend  
§ 38-3101**

“(f-1) Beginning in 2009, the District Department of Transportation shall provide, by July 31<sup>st</sup> of each year, recommendations to the Mayor, the Council, the Chancellor of the District of Columbia Public Schools, and the Chief of the Metropolitan Police Department on

the deployment of school crossing guards, taking into account the impact of school closings and reconfigurations, projected enrollment, traffic conditions, and all other relevant factors.”.

**Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.**

The Council adopts the November 6, 2008 fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02 (c)(3)).

**Sec. 5. Effective date.**

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02 (c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia

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Mayor  
District of Columbia