

HB 844 -- SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

SPONSOR: Sharp (37)

This bill creates the "Grants for School Resource Officers Fund" which may be appropriated to provide a 70/30 grant match for districts to hire trained and certified school resources officers. To be eligible for the grant, districts must apply to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and commit to provide 30% of the total salary of a school resource officer and apply for all available federal grant moneys that may be available for hiring officers. School resource officers must be trained and certified according to the provisions of Section 590.200, RSMo.