

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

NO. 8
Session of 2023

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REFERRED TO SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Allowing for Armed School Personnel

This legislation would give schools the option to allow certain school personnel to have access to firearms in school buildings.

The board of school directors in a school district may establish a policy permitting school personnel access to firearms in the buildings or on the grounds of a school by:

- (1) Establishing a firearm safety plan;
- (2) Providing notification of the policy to parents and guardians of all students, and;
- (3) Providing notification to the police departments that serve the school district.

All School personnel permitted access to firearms in the school buildings or grounds must:

- (1) Have a license to carry a concealed firearm;
 - (2) Maintain a current and valid certification in the use and handling of a firearm,
- and;
- (3) Complete a psychological evaluation.

“school personnel” eligible to have access to firearms include teachers, administrative staff, school security guards.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.