



**SENATE BILL 257:  
Appropriations Act of 2017, Sec. 17.2:  
Company Police Authority**

2017-2018 General Assembly

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**OVERVIEW:** Section 17.2 of S.L. 2017-57 allows company police to enter into mutual aid agreements and provide temporary assistance to local law enforcement agencies. This section became effective June 28, 2017.

**CURRENT LAW:** Company police officers fall into three categories: 1) Campus police officers, 2) Railroad police officers, and 3) Special police officers. While in the performance of their duties of employment, they have the same powers as municipal and county police officers to make arrests for both felonies and misdemeanors and to charge for infractions on any of the following:

1. Real property owned by or in the possession and control of their employer.
2. Real property owned by or in possession and control of a person who has contracted with the employer to provide on-site company police security personnel services for the property.
3. Any other real property while in continuous and immediate pursuit of a person for an offense committed upon property described in 1 or 2.

Campus police officers also have jurisdiction on the portion of any public road or highway passing through or immediately adjoining the property described in 1 or 2.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Section 17.2 of this act allows company police to:

- Enter into mutual aid agreements with local law enforcement.
- Provide temporary assistance to a law enforcement agency at the request of the head of that agency, regardless of the existence of a mutual aid agreement.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This section became effective June 28, 2017.

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