



2023-2024 General Assembly

# SENATE BILL 382: Disaster Relief-3/Budget/Various Law Changes, Sec. 3J.12: Changes to the AI School Safety Pilot Program

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<b>Introduced by:</b>		<b>Prepared by:</b>	Brian Gwyn Staff Attorney
<b>Analysis of:</b>	Sec. 3J.12 of S.L. 2024-57		

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**OVERVIEW:** Section 3J.12 of S.L. 2024-57, as amended by Section 3J.17(h) of S.L. 2024-57, requires the public school units participating in the AI Safety Pilot Program (Pilot Program), New Hanover County Schools and Davidson County Schools, to contract with the same vendor for a system that offers threatening object detection, intruder detection, person down detection, door open detection, tag and track, facial recognition, forensic face search, and a license plate reader. The vendor will be determined by the first public school unit to enter into a contract for a school safety solution. Funds for the Pilot Program must be spent on integrating AI technology into existing cameras, video management systems, and alerting protocols. Additionally, the participating public school units, in coordination with the Center for Safer Schools rather than the Department of Public Instruction, receive a one-year extension to report on the Pilot Program to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee.

*This bill was vetoed by the Governor on November 26, 2024, and that veto was overridden by the General Assembly on December 11, 2024. This section became effective December 11, 2024.*

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