

## HOUSE BILL 851: Hospital Police Officer/Authority/Info Access.

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 851 would treat hospital police officers as a distinct category of company police officers and provide certain authority and information access to those officers.

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

**Section 1** of House Bill 851 would define hospital police officers as company police employed by a hospital and authorized the governing board of a hospital to enter into mutual aid agreements with local law enforcement agencies.

This section would also give hospital police agencies access to the Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Automated Data System (CJLEADS) and the Division of Criminal Information Network (DCIN)

**Section 2** would amend G.S. 115D-5(b)(2) to include hospital police agencies in the list of organizations eligible for tuition waiver/uniform registration fees for courses from the State Board of Community Colleges that support their training needs.

**Section 3** would clarify that there is no impediment to hospital police agencies using the Voice Interoperability Plan for Emergency Responders (VIPER) so long as those agencies choose to acquire the necessary equipment.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act would be effective when it becomes law.

