HOUSE BILL 2409

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to institutions of higher education mapping;
- 2 creating a new section; and making an appropriation.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that school 5 mapping would:
- 6 (a) Protect all students in Washington;

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- 7 (b) Help schools and emergency response teams in emergencies like 8 the recent Virginia polytechnic institute and state university 9 shootings;
 - (c) Help officers on the ground to know how an institution of higher education is laid out in an emergency, since some institutions are so complex that when an officer arrives at the school, the officer may be unable to determine where a potential gunman is located; and
 - (d) Be used for any potential crisis situation.
- 15 (2) As used in this section, school mapping includes:
- 16 (a) Mapping out the physical structures of all public institutions 17 of higher education in case of an emergency;
- 18 (b) Taking aerial shots from the air to understand the physical complexity of a higher education institution;

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- (c) Photographing the school from the air so the officers on the ground will know how the school is laid out in case of an emergency;
 - (d) Giving an officer as much information about the school layout as possible by creating a centralized database for school layouts; and
 - (e) Providing for information sharing between the schools and emergency response teams.
 - (3) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs and the Washington association of fire chiefs shall study and determine the feasibility and costs of:
 - (a) Completing a school map for all institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016, within the state;
 - (b) Including all school maps on a computer disk;

- (c) Providing all patrol cars and fire engines with a mounted computer so that the officer can use the computer disk to view pictures of the layout of each school, including a blueprint of the school, an aerial photo, and a photo of each school room; and
- (d) Providing for maintenance of the computer disks by the fire chief and the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs.
- (4) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs and the Washington association of fire chiefs shall submit a report on the study and recommendations to the legislature by January 1, 2008.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The sum of two hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs for the purposes of this act.

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