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A BILL FOR

1 An Act to provide that an armed person accompany regents
2 institution security officers who are handling situations
3 involving armed and dangerous persons.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 262.13, Code 1997, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 262.13 SECURITY OFFICERS AT INSTITUTIONS AS PEACE
4 OFFICERS.

5 The board may authorize any institution under its control
6 to commission one or more of its employees as special security
7 officers. Special security officers shall have the powers,
8 privileges, and immunities of regular peace officers when
9 acting in the interests of the institution by which they are
10 employed. However, in any situation which involves or is
11 reported to involve a person who is armed and who may be
12 dangerous, the special security officer, at the officer's
13 discretion, need not proceed to investigate or render
14 assistance unless the security officer is accompanied by a
15 person who is authorized to possess and who is carrying a
16 weapon. The board shall provide as rapidly as practicable for
17 the adequate training of such special security officers at the
18 Iowa law enforcement academy or in an equivalent training
19 program, unless they have already received such training.

20 EXPLANATION

21 This bill provides that in situations involving persons who
22 are armed and possibly dangerous, a special security officer
23 at a board of regents institution need not, at the officer's
24 discretion, proceed to investigate or render assistance unless
25 the security officer is accompanied by a person who is
26 authorized to possess and who is carrying a weapon.

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