



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: The issue of the safety of students, faculty and staff of our Technical College System and our University System of Georgia has been a subject of great debate. This year the Georgia General Assembly passed HB 859 which responded to the issue of safety on college campuses by authorizing the carrying of concealed weapons on many parts of those campuses. I have this day vetoed HB 859 for the reasons set forth in my veto message, but I share the concern about the safety of these campuses. In order to address my concerns and those of the members of the General Assembly of Georgia, I hereby direct that the Commissioner of the Technical College System of Georgia submit a report to me, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House, setting forth the security measures that are in place for each college within the Technical College System; and

WHEREAS: I further request that the Chancellor of the University System of Georgia submit a report to me, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House, setting forth the security measures that are in place for each college within the University System of Georgia; and

WHEREAS: I would suggest that these reports focus on personnel (including the use of undercover officers embedded in the student population), planning and oversight (including considerations of whether certain campuses or portions thereof should no longer be "open"), working relationships with local police agencies, and crime prevention (including the use of cameras, increased lighting and fencing).

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the requested reports by the Technical College System of Georgia and the University System of Georgia be submitted by August 1, 2016. _____

This 3rd day of May, 2016.

Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR