

1 HB180  
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would authorize Briarwood  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

22 Section 1. (a) The Board of Trustees of Briarwood  
23 Presbyterian Church, organized as a nonprofit church under  
24 Alabama's nonprofit corporation law, may appoint and employ  
25 one or more persons to act as police officers to protect the  
26 safety and integrity of the church and its ministries. Persons  
27 employed as police officers pursuant to this section shall be

1 charged with all of the duties and invested with all of the  
2 powers of law enforcement officers in this state.

3 (b) Every police officer appointed and employed  
4 pursuant to this section shall be certified by the Alabama  
5 Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission and shall  
6 meet all of its requirements, including continuing education.

7 (c) The authority of any police officer appointed  
8 and employed pursuant to this section shall be restricted to  
9 the campuses and properties of Briarwood Presbyterian Church.

10 Section 2. This act shall become effective  
11 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
12 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.