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| **Committee: Homeland Security** | **Principal Author: Grace Headinger** |
| **Bill No:**  | **Delegation: Maggie L. Walker Governor’s School** |
| **Title of Bill:****An Act to Designate Appropriate Measures to Purge Lowered Expectations from the Secret Service**  |

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