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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 40

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Directing the House Committee on Appropriations, House Committee on Finance, and Senate Committee on Finance to develop a formula for funding educational technology.

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Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, educational technology enables new and more effective methods of learning, thereby helping students become better educated citizens; and

WHEREAS, obtaining sufficient computer skills in grades K through 12 is crucial in advancing to institutions of higher education and entering the workforce, thus providing benefits not only to the students but also to the Commonwealth's economy; and

WHEREAS, using up-to-date computer equipment and software is essential in obtaining sufficient computer skills and providing instruction utilizing educational technology; and

WHEREAS, a predictable funding source is crucial in planning and implementing educational technology, but the Commonwealth currently lacks such a predictable funding source for educational technology; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the House Committee on Appropriations, House Committee on Finance, and Senate Committee on Finance be directed to develop a formula to fund educational technology and technology support personnel.

All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the House Committee on Appropriations, House Committee on Finance, and Senate Committee on Finance, upon request.

The House Committee on Appropriations, House Finance Committee and Senate Finance Committee shall complete their work and submit their recommendation to the Governor and the 2001 Session of the General Assembly.

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