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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 2786**

Offered January 19, 2001

A BILL to amend and reenact § 22.1-1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to school boards.

Patrons—Blevins, Bennett, Bolvin, Byron, Councill, Crittenden, Dillard, Drake, Hamilton, Jackson, Landes, O'Brien, Suit, Tata, Van Landingham and Weatherholtz

## Referred to Committee on Education

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## Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 22.1-1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 22.1-1. Definitions.

As used in this title unless the context requires otherwise or it is otherwise specifically provided:

"Board" or "State Board" means the Board of Education.

"Division superintendent" means the division superintendent of schools of a school division.

"Elementary" includes kindergarten.

"Elementary and secondary" and "elementary or secondary" include elementary, middle, and high school grades.

"Governing body" or "local governing body" means the governing body of the county, city, or town responsible for appropriating funds for such locality.

"Middle school" means separate schools for early adolescents and the middle school grades that might be housed at elementary or high schools.

"Parent" or "parents" means any parent, guardian, legal custodian, or other person having control or charge of a child.

"Person of school age" means a person who will have reached his fifth birthday on or before September 30 of the school year and who has not reached twenty years of age on or before August 1 of the school year.

"School board" means the school board governing body of a school division.