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HOUSE BILL NO. 1217

Offered January 16, 2002

A BILL to amend and reenact § 22.1-93 of the Code of Virginia, relating to estimated funds for public education.

Patrons—Petersen, Amundson, Hull, Scott, Van Yahres and Watts

Referred to Committee on Education

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 22.1-93 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 22.1-93. Approval of annual budget for school purposes.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including but not limited to Chapter 25 (§ 15.2-2500 et seq.) of Title 15.2, the governing body of a county shall prepare and approve an annual budget for educational purposes by May first or within thirty days of the receipt by the county of the estimates of state funds, whichever shall later occur, and the governing body of a municipality shall prepare and approve an annual budget for educational purposes by May fifteen or within thirty days of the receipt by the municipality of the estimates of state funds, whichever shall later occur.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall, no later than the fifteenth day following final adjournment of the Virginia General Assembly in each session, submit estimates to be used for budgetary purposes relative to the Basic School Aid Formula to each school division and to the local governing body of each county, city and town that operates a separate school division. Such estimates shall be for each year of the next biennium or for the then next fiscal year.

Such estimate shall enumerate all state funding to be received by the school division, whether from basic aid or other state programs, and include a per pupil amount based on the projected average daily membership for the relevant school division for the coming fiscal year. Within ten days of providing such estimate, the Superintendent shall publish, for three consecutive days in a newspaper of general circulation within each such school division, a complete listing of such estimates and per pupil amounts for all school divisions in the Commonwealth and shall provide such list to each school division.