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SENATE BILL NO. 981

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 22.1-4.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to emergency contact information for public school pupils.*

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Referred to Committee on Education and Health

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 22.1-4.3 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 22.1-4.3. Participation by and notification of noncustodial parent.

Unless a court order has been issued to the contrary, the noncustodial parent of a student enrolled in a public school or day care center (i) shall not be denied the opportunity to participate in any of the student's school or day care activities in which such participation is supported or encouraged by the policies of the school or day care center solely on the basis of such noncustodial status *and (ii) shall be included, upon the request of such noncustodial parent, as an emergency contact for the student's school or day care activities.*

For the purposes of this section, "school or day care activities" shall include, but shall not be limited to, lunch breaks, special in-school programs, parent-teacher conferences and meetings, and extracurricular activities. It is the responsibility of the custodial parent to provide the court order to the school or day care center.

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