VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-295.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to employee personnel 3 records.

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16 **17** Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

- 1. That § 22.1-295.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:
 - § 22.1-295.1. Employee personnel files; maintenance of employee records.
- A. Personnel files of all school board employees may be produced and maintained in digital or paper format.
- B. Information determined to be unfounded after a reasonable administrative review shall not be maintained in any employee personnel file, but may be retained in a separate sealed file by the administration if such information alleges civil or criminal offenses. Any dispute over such unfounded information exclusive of opinions retained in the personnel file, or in a separate sealed file, notwithstanding the provisions of the Privacy Protection Act, Chapter 38 (§ 2.2-3800 et seq.) of Title 2.2, shall be settled through the employee grievance procedure as provided in §§ 22.1-306 and 22.1-308 through 22.1-314.