

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 23-9.2:3.02 of the Code of Virginia, relating to articulation agreements.*

3 [H 2408]

4 Approved

5 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**6 **1. That § 23-9.2:3.02 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**7 § 23-9.2:3.02. Articulation, transfer, and dual enrollment and admissions agreements; admission of
8 certain community college graduates.9 A. The governing board of each four-year public institution of higher education shall develop,
10 consistent with the State Council of Higher Education Guidelines and the institution's six-year plan as
11 set forth in § 23-9.2:3.03, articulation, transfer, and dual enrollment and admissions agreements with
12 uniform application to all institutions within the Virginia Community College System and any two-year
13 public institution of higher education that (i) meet appropriate general education and program
14 requirements at the four-year institutions; (ii) provide additional opportunities for associate degree
15 graduates to be admitted and enrolled; and (iii) establish dual admissions programs for qualified students
16 to be simultaneously accepted by a community college and, contingent upon the successful completion
17 of an acceptable associate degree program from the community college, by the four-year public
18 institution of higher education.19 B. *The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia shall submit an annual report to the Senate*
20 *Committee on Education and Health and the House Committee on Education specifying the total number*
21 *of transfer students each institution of higher education admitted, enrolled, and graduated from*
22 *institutions within the Virginia Community College System.*23 B C. Students enrolling at an institution within the Virginia Community College System or a
24 two-year public institution of higher education may declare an intention in writing to transfer to a
25 four-year public institution of higher education in Virginia having an articulation agreement with the
26 relevant community college or two-year public institution. If a student (i) completes an associate degree
27 within four years of submitting a written declaration of intent to transfer to a four-year public institution
28 of higher education in Virginia and (ii) enrolls in such an institution within 18 months of completing an
29 associate degree, the articulation agreement in force at the time of the student's declaration shall
30 determine those credits that will be transferred from the community college or two-year public
31 institution to the four-year public institution upon successful completion of an associate degree.32 C D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the admission of students of the Virginia
33 Community College System by a four-year public institution of higher education.34 D E. The State Council of Higher Education, consistent with its responsibility to facilitate the
35 development of articulation, transfer, and dual enrollment and admissions agreements set forth in
36 §§ 23-9.6:1 and 23-9.14:2, shall develop guidelines for such agreements, including the conditions
37 required to establish dual admissions programs for qualified students to be simultaneously accepted by a
38 community college and a four-year public institution of higher education and, upon successful
39 completion of an acceptable associate degree program from the community college, to be automatically
40 enrolled in the four-year institution of higher education. Dual admissions agreements shall set forth (i)
41 the obligations of the students accepted in such programs, including grade point average requirements,
42 acceptable associate degree majors, and completion timetables; and (ii) the student's access to the
43 privileges of enrollment in both institutions during the time enrolled in either institution.

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