

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to prisoners with learning*
3 *disabilities.*

4 [H 2625]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 22.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 22.1-344.1. Literacy program.

9 In coordination with the Department of Corrections and the Parole Board, the Superintendent shall
10 develop a functional literacy program for inmates testing below a selected grade level, which shall be at
11 least at the eighth grade level. The program shall include guidelines for implementation and test
12 administration, participation requirements, and criteria for satisfactory completion.

13 For the purposes of this section, the term "functional literacy" shall mean those educational skills
14 necessary to function independently in society, including, but not limited to, reading, writing,
15 comprehension, and arithmetic computation.

16 *In evaluating a prisoner's educational needs and abilities pursuant to § 53.1-32.1, the*
17 *Superintendent, in cooperation with the Department of Corrections, shall create a system for identifying*
18 *prisoners with learning disabilities.*

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