093354676 **HOUSE BILL NO. 1942** 1 2 3 4 5 Offered January 14, 2009 Prefiled January 13, 2009 A BILL to amend and reenact § 22.1-212.1:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to single-sex education. Patrons—Peace, Bell and Loupassi 6 7 Referred to Committee on Education 8 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That § 22.1-212.1:1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 10 § 22.1-212.1:1. Single-sex education. 11 12 13 14

Consistent with constitutional principles, a school board may establish a single-sex classes school, class, or program in the public schools of the school division, if the school board makes available to pupils substantially equal coeducational schools, classes, or programs. Participation in such single-sex school, class, or program shall not be required by the school division, and the school board shall ensure that participation by pupils in the single-sex school, class, or program is voluntary. For the purposes of this section, participation by a pupil in a single-sex school, class, or program is voluntary only if the school division also makes available to the pupil a substantially equal coeducational school, class, or program.

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