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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1416**

House Amendments in [ ] - January 20, 2011

A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 22.1-18.2 and 22.1-90.1, relating to instructional spending in the classroom.*

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Loupassi

Referred to Committee on Education

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

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding sections numbered 22.1-18.2 and 22.1-90.1 as follows:**

§ 22.1-18.2. *Annual report to General Assembly on instructional spending.*

*Beginning on July 1, 2012, the Board shall report annually [ ~~report~~ ] to the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance the amount of spending allocated by local school boards to instructional spending for each fiscal year based on the reports submitted to the Board in accordance with § 22.1-90.1.*

§ 22.1-90.1. *Annual report to the Board of Education on instructional spending.*

A. *Each local school board shall report annually to the Board of Education the percentage of its operating budget allocated to instructional spending for each fiscal year. The Board of Education shall promulgate regulations to define instructional spending.*

B. *Any school board that, according to its annual report, spent less than 65 percent of its operating budget on instructional spending for the reported fiscal year shall present a plan to the Board to increase such expenditures by 0.5 percent in the following fiscal year. Any school board failing to submit such a plan shall be audited by the Auditor of Public Accounts pursuant to § 15.2-2511, at the request of the Board. The Auditor of Public Accounts shall, upon completing such audit, submit a report to the Board with such recommendations as the Auditor deems appropriate concerning how each school board failing to meet the 65 percent requirement may increase their instructional spending. The Board shall develop a plan, based upon such audit and recommendations, if any, to assist such school boards in increasing instructional spending.*

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