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## SENATE BILL NO. 935

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 22.1-207 of the Code of Virginia, relating to healthy lifestyles education.*

Patron—Miller, J.C.

Referred to Committee on Education and Health

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

#### 1. That § 22.1-207 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 22.1-207. Healthy lifestyles education.

Physical and health education shall be emphasized throughout the public school curriculum by lessons, drills and physical exercises, and all pupils in the public elementary, middle, and high schools shall receive as part of the educational program such health instruction and physical training as shall be prescribed by the Board of Education and approved by the State Board of Health. A. *Instruction in healthy lifestyles shall be required in all public middle and high schools of the Commonwealth to promote healthy living and to further the development of knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed to maintain healthy living habits throughout students' lifetimes.*

B. *The Board of Education shall develop and approve objectives for healthy lifestyles instruction at the middle and high school levels, which shall be required of all students and shall provide for the systematic infusion of healthy lifestyle principles in the relevant Standards of Learning. The objectives shall include the promotion of healthy lifestyle choices, including the benefits of physical activity and good nutrition.*

C. *To facilitate the objectives of healthy lifestyles education through practical experiences, the Department shall confer with the Department of Health and relevant professional organizations in the development of guidelines for such objectives.*

D. *The Board shall not be required to evaluate student achievement concerning healthy lifestyles education objectives in the Standards of Learning assessments required by § 22.1-253.13:3.*

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