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1   **HOUSE BILL NO. 96**
2   Offered January 11, 2012
3   Prefiled December 28, 2011
4 *A BILL to amend and reenact § 1 of Chapter 463 of the Acts of Assembly of 2009, as amended by*
5   *Chapters 398 and 604 of the Acts of Assembly of 2010, and Chapters 391 and 411 of the Acts of*
6   *Assembly of 2011, relating to the delayed implementation of certain regulations and state statutes*
7   *related to the accreditation of schools.*
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10   Referred to Committee on Education
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12   **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**
13 **1. That § 1 of Chapter 463 of the Acts of Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapters 398 and 604**
14 **of the Acts of Assembly of 2010, and Chapter 391 of the Acts of Assembly of 2011, is amended**
15 **and reenacted as follows:**
16   § 1. That no statutes or regulations prescribing additional requirements upon which the accreditation
17 rating of schools in the Commonwealth is based, pursuant to § 22.1-253.13:3 of the Code of Virginia,
18 beyond those already in effect on July 1, 2008, shall become effective before July 1, ~~2012~~ *2013*, unless
19 such statutes or regulations are also specifically required by federal code, federal regulation, or court
20 action. Furthermore, that no statutes or regulations prescribing additional graduation requirements,
21 pursuant to § 22.1-253.13:4 of the Code of Virginia, shall become effective before July 1, ~~2012~~ *2013*,
22 unless such statutes or regulations are also specifically required by federal code, federal regulation, or
23 court action. Furthermore, the passing rates required for full accreditation in ~~2012-2013~~ *2013-2014* based
24 on assessments administered during the ~~2011-2012~~ *2012-2013* school year shall be the same passing
25 rates required for full accreditation during the 2008-2009 school year. Notwithstanding the provisions of
26 this section, schools with a graduating class shall meet prescribed thresholds on a graduation and
27 completion rate index, as prescribed by the Board of Education, for accreditation ratings for 2011-2012.
28 Furthermore, notwithstanding the provisions of this section, regulations prescribing economics and
29 financial literacy as a graduation requirement and related changes to the standard and advanced studies
30 ~~diplomas~~ *diploma*, pursuant to § 22.1-253.13:4 of the Code of Virginia, shall become effective July 1,
31 2011.
32 **2. That § 1 of Chapter 463 of the Acts of Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapters 398 and 604**
33 **of the Acts of Assembly of 2010, and Chapter 411 of the Acts of Assembly of 2011, is amended**
34 **and reenacted as follows:**
35   § 1. That no statutes or regulations prescribing additional requirements upon which the accreditation
36 rating of schools in the Commonwealth is based, pursuant to § 22.1-253.13:3 of the Code of Virginia,
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39 action. Furthermore, that no statutes or regulations prescribing additional graduation requirements,
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46 completion rate index, as prescribed by the Board of Education, for accreditation ratings for 2011-2012.
47 Furthermore, notwithstanding the provisions of this section, regulations prescribing economics and
48 financial literacy as a graduation requirement and related changes to the standard and advanced studies
49 diploma, pursuant to § 22.1-253.13:4 of the Code of Virginia, shall become effective July 1, 2011.