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A BILL to require that the Board of Education adopt regulations that adjust the formula for calculating the high school accreditation by adding points for students obtaining industry certifications, state licensure, or competency credentials.

Patron-Wagner

Referred to Committee on Education and Health

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That the Board of Education shall adopt regulations adjusting the formula for calculating the final high school accreditation status as follows: for schools having met minimal accreditation requirements, a minimum numerical value of three points shall be added to the completion index total points calculation for each student obtaining (i) a diploma and (ii) an industry certification, industry pathway certification, a state licensure, or an occupational competency credential in a career and technical education program, when such certification, licensure, or credential is approved by the Board of Education as student-selected verified credit. The additional points shall not be used to obtain or deny accreditation.