

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-177 of the Code of Virginia, relating to bumper stickers on school*
3 *buses.*

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5 Approved

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

7 **1. That § 22.1-177 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 **§ 22.1-177. Regulations.**

9 The Board may make regulations relating to the construction, design, operation, equipment, and color
10 of public school buses and shall have the authority to issue an order prohibiting the operation on public
11 streets and highways of any public school bus ~~which~~ *that* does not comply with such regulations. Any
12 such order shall be enforced by the Department of State Police.

13 Local school boards may, notwithstanding any regulation to the contrary, display decals depicting the
14 flag of the United States on the sides and rear of school buses as long as any such decal does not
15 obstruct the name of the school division or the number of the school bus and is no larger than 100
16 square inches. In addition, local school boards may, notwithstanding any regulation to the contrary,
17 display decals relating to local school division bus safety hotlines. Local school divisions shall be
18 responsible for the cost of the decals bearing the number of such safety hotline. Such decal shall not
19 obstruct the name of the school division or the number of the school bus. *Local school divisions may*
20 *display a decal on the rear of each school bus that states "We stop at railroad crossings" and that do*
21 *not obstruct the name of the school division or the number of the school bus.*

22 No regulation of the Board shall unreasonably limit the authority of any local school division to
23 purchase and use school buses using compressed natural gas or other alternative fuels or convert its
24 school buses to use compressed natural gas or other alternative fuels.

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