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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 357
AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Rules
on February 1, 2013)
(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Martin)

Designating February, in 2013 and in each succeeding year, as Home Education Month in Virginia.

WHEREAS, parents throughout the Commonwealth desire for their children to receive the best education possible; and

WHEREAS, in the early days of the Commonwealth, home education was the main form of education, with many of the nation's founding fathers receiving the majority of their education at home; and

WHEREAS, today, many parents choose to educate their children at home for a variety of reasons; and

WHEREAS, home education provides parents with the opportunity to instill desired values in their children and develop positive character traits; and

WHEREAS, parents have the final authority and responsibility for the choice of education for their children; and

WHEREAS, designating a month to recognize home education will allow parents, students, and others to learn about this educational option; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly designate February, in 2013 and in each succeeding year, as Home Education Month in Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a copy of this resolution to Anne Miller, president of the board of directors of the Home Educators Association of Virginia, and to Parrish Mort, president of the Organization of Virginia Homeschoolers, so that members of the Home Educators Association of Virginia and the Organization of Virginia Homeschoolers may be apprised of the sense of the General Assembly of Virginia in this matter; and, be it

RESOLVED FINALLY, That the Clerk of the Senate post the designation of this month on the General Assembly's website.

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