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HOUSE BILL NO. 553

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 2 of Chapter 672 of the Acts of Assembly of 2013 and § 2 of Chapter 692 of the Acts of Assembly of 2013, relating to individual school performance; A-to-F grading system.

Patrons—Krupicka, Brink, Futrell, Hester, Hope, Howell, A.T., Lopez, Plum, Rasoul and Spruill

Referred to Committee on Education

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 2 of Chapter 672 of the Acts of Assembly of 2013 is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 2. ~~The Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education shall report assign each public elementary and secondary school five separate grades based on (i) individual school performance and (ii) the performance of students who are (a) receiving special education, (b) enrolled in English as a second language (ESL) programs, (c) eligible to receive free or reduced price meals, and (d) not eligible to receive free or reduced price meals using a letter grading system that includes the standards of accreditation, state and federal accountability requirements, and student growth indicators in assigning grades. The grading system shall be based on an A-to-F grading scale. The Board, by October 1, 2014 2015, shall (i) assign a grade from A to F to each public school in the Commonwealth; (ii) (2) make both the system and the grade assigned to each school in the Commonwealth available to the public; and (iii) (3) report to the General Assembly a summary of the system and the assigned grades.~~

2. That § 2 of Chapter 692 of the Acts of Assembly of 2013 is amended and reenacted as follows:

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