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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1616**

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 22.1-227.01 of the Code of Virginia, relating to career and technical education; alignment with national certification requirements.*

Patrons—Greason, Carr, Landes, Mason, Rasoul and Robinson

Referred to Committee on Education

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

**1. That § 22.1-227.01 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 22.1-227.01. Career and technical education defined.**

As used in this article, "career and technical education" means an organized education program offering a sequence of courses that (i) may incorporate field, laboratory, and classroom instruction; ~~and~~ that (ii) emphasize career and technical occupational experiences ~~and~~; (iii) are designed to prepare individuals for further education and gainful employment; and (iv) are aligned with national certification requirements, if such requirements exist for the sequence of courses.

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