

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

*An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-227.01 of the Code of Virginia, relating to career and technical education; alignment with state or national program certification and accreditation standards.*

[H 1616]

Approved

**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 state or national program certification and accreditation standards, if such standards exist for the sequence of courses.* However, clause (iv) shall not apply to any program offered by industry in cooperation with a local school board.