2017 SESSION

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE

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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 1569
2	AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
3	(Proposed by the House Committee on Education
4	on January 25, 2017)
5	(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Orrock)
6	A BILL to express the intent of the General Assembly relating to the Commonwealth's two land-grant
7	universities.
8	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
9	1. § 1. It is the intent of the General Assembly that in order to support a strong Commonwealth and to
10	fulfill the principles of the federal Morrill Land-Grant Acts of 1862 and 1890 and Smith-Lever Act of
11	1914 (7 U.S.C. § 301 et seq.), the Commonwealth's two land-grant universities, Virginia Polytechnic
12	Institute and State University and Virginia State University, shall maintain strong programs of
13	instruction, research, and the extension of knowledge in agriculture, natural resources, family and
14	consumer sciences, community viability, youth development, and such other fields as are necessary to
15	fulfill their respective land-grant missions. Therefore, it is incumbent on these two institutions to ensure
16	that these objectives will be addressed in all strategic plans for the future.