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**SENATE BILL NO. 1500**

Offered January 18, 2017

A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 22.1 a section numbered 22.1-275.2, relating to the School Health Advisory Board.*

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Referred to Committee on Education and Health

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

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 22.1 a section numbered 22.1-275.2 as follows:**

**§ 22.1-275.2. School Health Advisory Board.**

A. *The School Health Advisory Board (the Board) is established as an advisory board, within the meaning of § 2.2-2100, in the executive branch of state government. The purpose of the Board shall be to advise the General Assembly on pending legislation concerning health policy that affects elementary and secondary schools.*

B. *The Board shall consist of 10 nonlegislative citizen members and two ex officio members as follows: three nonlegislative citizen members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates; three nonlegislative citizen members appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules; four nonlegislative citizen members appointed by the Governor; and the Secretary of Education, or his designee, and the Secretary of Health and Human Resources, or his designee, who shall serve ex officio with voting privileges.*

C. *Nonlegislative citizen members appointed by the Governor shall serve for terms of four years, and nonlegislative citizen members appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the House of Delegates shall serve for terms of two years. The Secretary of Education and the Secretary of Health and Human Resources, or their designees, shall serve terms coincident with their terms of office. Vacancies occurring other than by expiration of a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments. Any nonlegislative citizen member may be reappointed for successive terms.*

D. *The members of the Board shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman annually from among its membership. The Board shall meet at such times as it deems appropriate or on call of the chairman. A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.*

E. *Members shall receive no compensation for their services. However, all members shall be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided in §§ 2.2-2813 and 2.2-2825. Funding for the costs of expenses of the members shall be provided by the Department of Education.*

F. *The Department of Education shall provide staff support to the Board.*

G. *The chairman of the Board shall submit to the Governor and the General Assembly an annual executive summary of the interim activity and work of the Board no later than the first day of each regular session of the General Assembly. The executive summary shall be submitted as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents and reports and shall be posted on the General Assembly's website.*

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