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18101379D 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 238** 2 3 4 5 6 Offered January 10, 2018 Prefiled January 4, 2018 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-4.4, relating to collection of student demographic data; prohibition. Patrons—DeSteph; Delegate: Brewer 7 8 Referred to Committee on Education and Health 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-4.4 as follows: 11 § 22.1-4.4. Collection of student demographic information; prohibition. 12 13 14 15

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Except for the purposes of school accountability or as required by state or federal law, no local school board shall require a student or his parent to report information related to the student's race, ethnicity, or religion. Any request for such information shall include an option for the student or parent to decline to answer. Additionally, local school boards shall prohibit third-party collection of such information.