

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-207.1:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to public schools; family*  
3 *life education; female genital mutilation.*

4 [S 1159]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 22.1-207.1:1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 22.1-207.1:1. Family life education; certain curricula and Standards of Learning.**

9 A. Any family life education curriculum offered by a local school division shall require the  
10 Standards of Learning objectives related to dating violence and the characteristics of abusive  
11 relationships to be taught at least once in middle school and at least twice in high school, as described  
12 in the Board of Education's family life education guidelines.

13 B. Any high school family life education curriculum offered by a local school division shall  
14 incorporate age-appropriate elements of effective and evidence-based programs on the prevention of  
15 dating violence, domestic abuse, sexual harassment, including sexual harassment using electronic means,  
16 and sexual violence and may incorporate age-appropriate elements of effective and evidence-based  
17 programs on the law and meaning of consent. Such age-appropriate elements of effective and  
18 evidence-based programs on the prevention of sexual violence may include instruction that increases  
19 student awareness of the fact that consent is required before sexual activity.

20 C. Any family life education curriculum offered in any elementary school, middle school, or high  
21 school shall incorporate age-appropriate elements of effective and evidence-based programs on the  
22 importance of the personal privacy and personal boundaries of other individuals and tools for a student  
23 to use to ensure that he respects the personal privacy and personal boundaries of other individuals.

24 D. *Any family life education curriculum offered by a local school division shall incorporate*  
25 *age-appropriate elements of effective and evidence-based programs on the harmful physical and*  
26 *emotional effects of female genital mutilation; associated criminal penalties; and the rights of the victim,*  
27 *including any civil action pursuant to § 8.01-42.5.*

28 E. Any family life education curriculum offered by a local school division may incorporate  
29 age-appropriate elements of effective and evidence-based programs on the prevention, recognition, and  
30 awareness of child abduction, child abuse, child sexual exploitation, and child sexual abuse.

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