VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2020 SESSION

CHAPTER 51

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-217.03, relating to the Department of Education; individualized education program teams; guidelines.

[H 134]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-217.03 as follows: § 22.1-217.03. Individualized education program teams to consider need for certain age-appropriate and developmentally appropriate instruction.

A. The Department of Education shall establish guidelines for individualized education program (IEP) teams to utilize when developing IEPs for children with disabilities to ensure that IEP teams consider the need for age-appropriate and developmentally appropriate instruction related to sexual health, self-restraint, self-protection, respect for personal privacy, and personal boundaries of others.

B. In developing IEPs for children with disabilities, in addition to any other requirements established by the Board, each local school board shall ensure that IEP teams consider the guidelines established by the Department of Education pursuant to subsection A.