VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2020 SESSION

CHAPTER 774

An Act to require the Department of Education to develop and publish guidance and resources relating to the provision of applied behavior analysis services for students in public schools.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. The Department of Education shall develop and publish no later than November 16, 2020, guidance and resources relating to the provision of applied behavior analysis (ABA) services in public schools for students who are in need of such services. Such guidance and resources may address (i) determining the need for and appropriateness of providing ABA services for students during the school day; (ii) considerations for school boards regarding management and monitoring of personnel who are not employed by the school board and who provide ABA services in public schools; (iii) the financial responsibilities related to hiring and retaining personnel who are not employed by the school board and schools; (iv) developing agreements between such providers of ABA services, families, and schools; and (v) utilizing licensed behavior analysts employed by the school board to provide ABA services.