

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-137.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to public schools;*
3 *lock-down drills; frequency; exemptions.*

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5 Approved

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

7 **1. That § 22.1-137.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 **§ 22.1-137.2. Lock-down drills.**

9 A. In every public school there shall be a lock-down drill at least twice during the first 20 school
10 days of each school session, in order that students *and teachers* may be thoroughly practiced in such
11 drills. Every public school shall hold at least ~~two~~ *one* additional lock-down drills during the remainder
12 drill after the first 60 days of the school session. ~~Lock-down plans and drills shall be in compliance~~
13 ~~with the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (§ 27-94 et seq.)~~

14 B. Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students shall be exempt from mandatory participation in
15 lock-down drills during the first 60 days of the school session. Local school boards shall develop
16 policies to implement such exemption. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subsection, each
17 pre-kindergarten and kindergarten student shall participate in each lock-down drill after the first 60
18 days of each school session.

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