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HOUSE BILL NO. 12

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-280.2:5, relating to public school buildings; entry points; limits; screening.*

Patron—Anderson

Referred to Committee on Education

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-280.2:5 as follows:

§ 22.1-280.2:5. *Public school buildings; entry points; limits; screening.*

Each local school board shall:

1. Limit to the lowest feasible number the entry points in each public school building in the local school division;

2. Ensure that each individual who seeks to enter any school building in the local school division is screened with a handheld metal detector wand by a school security officer or another appropriate school board employee who is appropriately trained in such method of screening;

3. Require each such school security officer or other appropriate school board employee to implement further screening according to a protocol that it deems appropriate in any case in which the school board employee who conducts the initial screening has reason to believe that the individual who seeks to enter the school building is in possession of a weapon; and

4. Prohibit any individual from entering any school building in the local school division if the individual fails or refuses to submit to the screening required in subdivisions 2 and 3.

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