

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-225.1, relating to Department*  
3 *of Education; Virginia-based nonprofit organizations; schools for adults to earn credentials, college*  
4 *credit, and high school diplomas.*

5 [H 1726]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-225.1 as follows:**9 *§ 22.1-225.1. Department; Virginia-based nonprofit organizations; schools for adults to earn*  
10 *credentials, college credit, and high school diplomas.*

11 *Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Department shall authorize a*  
12 *Virginia-based nonprofit organization with demonstrated evidence of positive student outcomes to*  
13 *provide schools for adults to earn (i) (a) an industry-recognized credential awarded through a*  
14 *partnership with a Virginia-based community college or an approved training provider or (b) dual*  
15 *college credit awarded through a partnership with a Virginia-based community college and (ii) a high*  
16 *school diploma on one or more diploma pathways set forth in subdivision 3 of 8VAC20-30-20 in which*  
17 *enrollment is open, on a space-available basis, to adults who reside throughout the Commonwealth.*

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