

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1995 SESSION

CHAPTER 274

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-209.01, relating to school-to-work transition programs.

[S 991]

Approved March 16, 1995

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-209.01 as follows:

§ 22.1-209.01. School-to-work transition programs.

Effective on July 1, 1995, with such funds as may be appropriated for this purpose, local school boards may establish school-to-work transition programs for students enrolled in the public schools of the school division in grades five through twelve to prepare such students for postsecondary education eligibility, employment, and advanced technical skills training. In developing such programs, local school boards shall concentrate efforts on meeting the particular academic needs of noncollege-bound students. However, college-bound students shall be allowed to participate in the programs. To enhance such transition programs, school boards shall develop appropriate interagency linkages with public and private institutions of higher education, labor and industry councils, the business community, rehabilitative services providers, and employment and guidance services to assist such students in acquiring necessary work habits, developing marketable skills, and identifying career goals through a broad range of educational and career opportunities and mentoring and apprenticeship programs.