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HOUSE BILL NO. 2147

House Amendments in [] — January 30, 1997

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Title 22.1 a section numbered 22.1-279.4, relating to participation in certain school activities by noncustodial parents.

Patrons—Katzen, Albo, Bryant, Drake, Dudley, Guest, Howell, Kilgore, Landes, Rollison and Ruff;
Senators: Hanger, Quayle, Schrock, Trumbo and Williams

Referred to Committee on Education

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Title 22.1 a section numbered 22.1-279.4 as follows:

§ 22.1-279.4. Participation in certain school activities by noncustodial parent.

Unless a court order has been issued to the contrary, the noncustodial parent of a student enrolled in a public school or day care center shall not be denied the opportunity to participate in any of the student's school or day care activities in which such participation is supported or encouraged by the policies of the school or day care center [solely on the basis of such noncustodial status]. For the purposes of this section, "school or day care activities" shall include, but shall not be limited to, lunch breaks, special in-school programs, parent-teacher conferences and meetings, and extracurricular activities. [It is the responsibility of the custodial parent to provide the court order to the school or day care center.]

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