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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 540

Offered January 20, 1997

*Expressing the sense of the General Assembly on necessary leave for public school employees.*

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Referred to Committee on Education

WHEREAS, the General Assembly believes that it is necessary and critical to the learning process that parents be involved in their children's education; and

WHEREAS, effective education requires parental involvement, through parents' encouraging and nurturing their children's learning experience at home and at school; and

WHEREAS, public school employees who have school age children recognize the need to be involved in their children's education and would like to participate in activities at their children's public schools or certified preschool programs; and

WHEREAS, public employees covered by the Virginia Personnel Act enjoy the ability to participate in this process through the availability of eight hour's leave time each calendar year; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That it is the sense of the General Assembly that local school boards in the Commonwealth be encouraged to provide necessary leave to their employees so that local school board employees may participate in their children's education; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates forward copies of this resolution to local public school boards within the Commonwealth so that they may be apprised of the sense of the General Assembly of Virginia.

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