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SENATE BILL NO. 1448

Senate Amendments in [] — February 7, 2011

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 23-9.2:3.8 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Cambridge Advanced Exams.*

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Senator Barker

Referred to Committee on Education and Health

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 23-9.2:3.8 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 23-9.2:3.8. Course credit; International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement and Cambridge Advanced courses.

A. The governing boards of each public institution of higher education shall implement policies to grant undergraduate course credit to entering freshman students who have successfully ~~completed~~ *taken* one or more International Baccalaureate ~~or~~, Advanced Placement ~~courses~~, *or Cambridge Advanced [(A/AS)] examinations*. The policies shall:

1. Outline the conditions necessary for the institution to grant course credit, including the minimum required scores on examinations for courses in the International Baccalaureate ~~or~~, Advanced Placement, *or Cambridge Advanced [(A/AS)] programs*; and

2. Identify the specific course credit or other academic requirements of the institution that the student satisfies by successfully completing the *International Baccalaureate* diploma program.

B. Each public institution of higher education's policies for course credit for standard and higher level International Baccalaureate ~~courses~~ *or Cambridge Advanced [(A/AS)] examinations* shall be comparable to its policies for granting course credit for Advanced Placement ~~courses~~ *examinations*.

C. The governing boards of each public institution of higher education shall report to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia the policies adopted and implemented pursuant to this section, and shall make the policies available to the public on the institution's website.

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