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18108162D **SENATE BILL NO. 343** 1 AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE 234567 (Proposed by the Joint Conference Committee on March 10, 2018) (Patrons Prior to Substitute—Senators Peake and Obenshain [SB 928]) A BILL to permit school boards to employ certain individuals. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 8 **1.** § 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A of § 22.1-296.1 of the Code of Virginia and 9 consistent with the discretion granted to a school board pursuant to § 22.1-307 of the Code of Virginia to retain an employee who is convicted of an offense subsequent to the employee's hiring, a school 10 board may employ an individual who, at the time of the individual's hiring, has been convicted of a 11 felony, provided that such individual (i) was employed in good standing by a school board on or before 12 13 December 17, 2015; (ii) has been granted a simple pardon for such offense by the Governor or other

14 appropriate authority; and (iii) has had his civil rights restored by the Governor or other appropriate 15 authority.

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