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SENATE BILL NO. 840

Offered January 15, 2018

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-79.7, relating to local school boards; school meal policies.

Patrons—Favola and McClellan

Referred to Committee on Education and Health

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-79.7 as follows:

§ 22.1-79.7. School meal policies.

Each local school board shall adopt policies that:

1. Prohibit school board employees from publicly identifying or stigmatizing a student who cannot pay for a meal at school or who owes a school meal debt, including requiring that such student wear a wristband or hand stamp;

2. Prohibit school board employees from requiring a student who cannot pay for a meal at school or who owes a school meal debt to do chores or other work to pay for such meals; and

3. Require school board employees to direct any communication relating to a school meal debt to the student's parent. Such policy may permit such communication to be made by a letter addressed to the parent to be sent home with the student.

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