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## SENATE BILL NO. 1728

Offered January 16, 2019

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 22.1-253.13:10 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal § 22.1-253.13:10 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Standards of Learning Innovation Committee; conflicts of interest; repeal.*

Patron—Newman

Referred to Committee on Education and Health

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:****1. That § 22.1-253.13:10 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:****§ 22.1-253.13:10. Standards of Learning Innovation Committee.**

A. The Secretary of Education, upon receiving recommendations for appointments from the Virginia Parent Teacher Association, Virginia Education Association, Virginia School Boards Association, Virginia Association of Secondary School Principals, Virginia Association of Elementary School Principals, Virginia Association of School Superintendents, Virginia State Reading Association, Virginia School Counselor Association, and Virginia Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, shall establish and appoint nonlegislative citizen members to the Standards of Learning Innovation Committee (Committee). The Committee shall consist of (i) four members of the Virginia House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates; (ii) three members of the Virginia Senate, appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules on the recommendation of the Chair of the Senate Committee on Education and Health; and (iii) at least one parent of a currently enrolled public school student, public elementary school teacher, public secondary school teacher, public secondary school guidance counselor, school board member, public school principal, division superintendent, curriculum and instruction specialist, higher education faculty member, representative of a four-year public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth, representative of a two-year public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth, and representative of the business community in the Commonwealth and such other stakeholders as the Secretary deems appropriate, appointed by the Secretary. Members of the Committee should reflect geographic diversity and rural and urban school systems as far as practicable. The Superintendent of Public Instruction, the President of the Board of Education or his designee, and the Secretary of Education or his designee shall serve ex officio. All other members shall be appointed for terms of two years. The Committee, under the direction of the Secretary, shall periodically make recommendations to the Board of Education on (a) the Standards of Learning assessments, (b) authentic individual student growth measures, (c) alignment between the Standards of Learning and assessments and the School Performance Report Card, and (d) ideas on innovative teaching in the classroom. An affirmative vote by a majority of the legislative members in attendance and a majority of nonlegislative members in attendance shall be required for the Committee to adopt any recommendations. The Board of Education shall review the recommendations of the Committee and submit to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education and Health, in advance of the next regular session of the General Assembly, any comments on such recommendations that the Board of Education deems appropriate.

B. *In addition to any conflict of interest prohibited by the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.), no person shall serve as a nonlegislative citizen member or as the chair of the Committee if he has a personal interest in a contract, as defined in § 2.2-3101, with a school board. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person employed by a school board.*

**2. That § 22.1-253.13:10 of the Code of Virginia is repealed effective January 1, 2020.**

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