VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2020 SESSION

CHAPTER 378

An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-137.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to public schools; lock-down drills; notice to parents.

[H 270]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 22.1-137.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: § 22.1-137.2. Lock-down drills.

In every public school there shall be a lock-down drill at least twice during the first 20 school days of each school session, in order that students may be thoroughly practiced in such drills. Every public school shall hold at least two additional lock-down drills during the remainder of the school session. Lock-down plans and drills shall be in compliance with the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (§ 27-94 et seq.). Every public school shall provide the parents of enrolled students with at least 24 hours' notice before the school conducts any lock-down drill, provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be construed to require such notice to include the exact date and time of the lock-down drill.