VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2020 SESSION

CHAPTER 696

An Act to require the Department of Education and Board of Education to take certain actions relating to students with limited or interrupted formal education.

[S 933]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

- 1. § 1. The Department of Education shall develop and adopt a common statewide definition for the term "students with limited or interrupted formal education" and shall require local school divisions to report the number of students who fall under such definition as part of the required data collection and reporting on average daily membership for the purposes of documenting any changes in such numbers over time.
- § 2. The Board of Education shall evaluate the supports and programs available to "students with limited or interrupted formal education" in local school divisions to determine whether the calculations for the school quality indicators within the Board's Regulations Establishing the Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (8VAC20-131-5 et seq.) are appropriate or whether changes in methodology could be made to more comprehensively measure the academic and nonacademic achievement of such student population. Such evaluation shall be completed to make the necessary revisions to impact the methodology for the calculation of school accreditation ratings for the 2021-2022 school year.