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HOUSE BILL NO. 223

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A BILL to require the Department of Education to make recommendations for improving civic education.

Patron—McNamara

Referred to Committee on Education

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. The Department of Education shall develop and report to the Board of Education, the Governor, and the Chairmen of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education and Health no later than July 1, 2021, recommendations for improving civic education for each public elementary and secondary school student in the Commonwealth, including strategies for (i) expanding their level of civic knowledge, (ii) increasing their respect for the political history of the Commonwealth and the United States, (iii) mitigating the politically polarizing effects that the mainstream media can have on such students, and (iv) helping such students become civically and politically engaged in a rational and civil manner.

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