

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 2 of Chapter 760 of the Acts of Assembly of 2022, relating to*
3 *Department of Education; Standards of Learning assessment revision work group; consideration of*
4 *effectiveness of assessments for students with disabilities.*

5 [H 1884]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That § 2 of Chapter 760 of the Acts of Assembly of 2022 is amended and reenacted as follows:**

9 1. § 2. In developing such revised assessments and plan, the work group shall consider (i) best practices
10 and innovations in summative assessments of proficiency from across the nation; (ii) alternative
11 approaches to current and new assessment items, including subject areas and methods of grading such
12 items; (iii) assessment items that include open-ended questions, long-form writing, and other tasks, with
13 student responses scored by the Department according to statewide scoring rubrics; (iv) plan for pilot
14 implementation of such assessment items prior to the 2027-2028 school year as necessary to determine
15 the validity of such items; (v) the process for the development of a bank of vetted sample assessment
16 items that include a comprehensive representation of knowledge and skills being assessed; (vi) the
17 legislative and regulatory changes and funding necessary to implement alternative approaches considered
18 by the work group; (vii) *the effectiveness of assessments for students with disabilities, including the*
19 *Virginia Alternate Assessment Program for those students with the most significant cognitive disabilities,*
20 *and the use of those assessments to improve and individualize instruction; and ~~(vii)~~ (viii) a proposed*
21 *timeline for implementation of such new assessments, giving consideration to implementation prior to*
22 *the 2027-2028 school year. Nothing in this act shall prohibit the work group from looking at all forms*
23 *of assessment. Such work group shall not be responsible for implementation of such revised assessment*
24 *items unless there is further action from the General Assembly.*

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