

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-299 of the Code of Virginia, relating to provisional teacher*
3 *licensure; permissive extension; satisfactory performance evaluations during years of actual*
4 *employment.*

5 [H 2375]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That § 22.1-299 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**9 **§ 22.1-299. License required of teachers; provisional licenses; exceptions.**10 A. No teacher shall be regularly employed by a school board or paid from public funds unless such
11 teacher holds a license or provisional license issued by the Board.12 B. Notwithstanding the provision in § 22.1-298.1 that the provisional license is limited to three years,
13 the following exceptions shall apply:14 1. If a teacher employed in the Commonwealth under a provisional license is activated or deployed
15 for military service within a school year (July 1-June 30), an additional year shall be added to the
16 teacher's provisional license for each school year or portion thereof during which the teacher is activated
17 or deployed. The additional year shall be granted the year following the return of the teacher from
18 deployment or activation.19 2. The Board shall extend for at least one additional year, but for no more than two additional years,
20 the three-year provisional license of a teacher upon receiving from the division superintendent (i) a
21 recommendation for such extension and (ii) satisfactory performance evaluations for such teacher for
22 each year of *during* the original three-year provisional license *that such teacher was actually employed*.23 3. The Board shall extend for at least one additional year, but for no more than two additional years,
24 the three-year provisional license of a teacher employed in an accredited private elementary or secondary
25 school or a school for students with disabilities that is licensed pursuant to Chapter 16 (§ 22.1-319 et
26 seq.) upon receiving from the school administrator of such school (i) a recommendation for such
27 extension and (ii) satisfactory performance evaluations for such teacher for each year of the original
28 three-year provisional license.29 C. In accordance with regulations prescribed by the Board, a person not meeting the requirements for
30 a license or provisional license may be employed and paid from public funds by a school board
31 temporarily as a substitute teacher to meet an emergency.