

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-298.8, relating to public*
3 *elementary and secondary school teachers; temporary employment; frequency of certain training*
4 *activities; report.*

5 [H 2457]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-298.8 as follows:**9 **§ 22.1-298.8. Public elementary and secondary school teachers; certain training activities;**
10 **frequency.**11 *No public elementary or secondary school teacher shall be required to participate more frequently*
12 *than once every five years in any training described in clause (iii) of subsection A of § 22.1-279.6 or*
13 *relating to secure mandatory test violations as set forth in §§ 22.1-19.1 and 22.1-292.1, unless the*
14 *school board or division superintendent determines that additional training is necessary to comply with*
15 *federal or state law or to remediate misconduct. Each such teacher who completes any such training*
16 *shall sign a written attestation that the teacher has been trained in and understands the relevant subject*
17 *matter.*18 **2. That each local school board shall report to the Board of Education and the General Assembly**
19 **no later than October 1, 2023, on the frequency with which each public elementary and secondary**
20 **school teacher in the local school division participates in each required training or professional**
21 **development activity.**22 **3. That notwithstanding the provisions of § 22.1-302 of the Code of Virginia that permit a school**
23 **board to employ a temporarily employed teacher to fill a teacher vacancy for a period of time not**
24 **to exceed 90 days during one school year unless otherwise approved by the Superintendent of**
25 **Public Instruction on a case-by-case basis, during the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years, any**
26 **school board may employ such a temporarily employed teacher to fill such a vacancy for a period**
27 **of time not to exceed 180 days during one school year.**

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