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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-206.01, relating to Department of Education; development and distribution of fentanyl education and awareness 3 4 informational one-sheet; requirements.

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Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

8 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-206.01 as follows: 9 § 22.1-206.01. Fentanyl education and awareness; instructional resources and materials.

10 A. As used in this section, "informational one-sheet" means a single-page document detailing relevant 11 information and key points on a single topic developed and disseminated for the purpose of providing 12 information to a specific group of individuals.

B. The Department shall, in collaboration with the Department of Health, develop a fentanyl 13 14 education and awareness informational one-sheet designed to promote awareness of the dangers 15 associated with and the prevalence of fentanyl and provide essential information on fentanyl overdose prevention and preparedness among high school-age students. Such informational one-sheet shall 16 17 include information on: 18

- 1. The dangers associated with fentanyl;
- 2. The prevalence of fentanyl and how to identify and avoid it;

20 3. Overdose prevention and preparedness, including the signs and symptoms of fentanyl overdose and 21 how to report a fentanyl overdose;

22 4. Resources for students in the event that any student needs or knows someone who needs help with 23 substance use disorder or is in danger of a fentanyl overdose; and

24 5. Statistics relating to fentanyl prevalence, fentanyl use, health risks associated with fentanyl use, 25 and fentanyl overdoses, including overdoses that were successfully reversed and deaths associated with 26 fentanyl overdoses, in the Commonwealth.

27 C. The Department shall make available to each school board and shall post in a publicly accessible 28 location on its website such fentanyl educational and awareness informational one-sheet developed in 29 accordance with subsection B. The Department, in collaboration with the Department of Health, shall 30 annually review such informational one-sheet and update it as necessary to ensure its currency and 31 accuracy.

32 D. Each public high school or secondary school that includes grades nine through 12 shall annually 33 distribute such fentanyl education and awareness informational one-sheet to each student in grades nine 34 through 12 within the first two weeks of the school year.

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