24101864D 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 166 2 3** House Amendments in [] - January 22, 2024 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-212.1:3, relating to **4** 5 Department of Education; guidance and resources; composting programs in local school divisions. Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Keys-Gamarra 6 7 Referred to Committee on Education 8 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 10

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-212.1:3 as follows: § 22.1-212.1:3. Composting programs in local school divisions; guidance and resources.

The Department shall develop, post in a publicly accessible format and location on its website, and make available to any school board, upon request, guidance and resources relating to the establishment of local experiential learning programs on the composting of organic material, including [uneaten school cafeteria] food [waste] , for sustainable purposes such as horticulture or micro-farming, including guidance and resources on available grants and other sources of funding for such programs.

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