

2025 SESSION

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1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 1604**

2 Offered January 13, 2025

3 Prefiled January 3, 2025

4 A BILL to amend and reenact the third enactment of Chapter 589 of the Acts of Assembly of 2008 and to
5 permit the Bath County School Board and the Augusta County School Board to enter into certain
6 cost-savings agreements.

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8 Referred to Committee on Education

9 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

10 1. Notwithstanding the requirement set forth in subsection A of § 22.1-98.2 of the Code of Virginia that
11 a school division has 65 percent or more of its local taxes coming from real estate taxes in order for the
12 school board that governs such school division to be eligible to enter into certain cost-savings agreements
13 with a contiguous school division for the consolidation or sharing of educational, administrative, or support
14 services and subsequently receive the state share for basic aid computed annually on the basis of the
15 composite index of local ability-to-pay of the contiguous school division, the Bath County School Board may
16 enter into such cost-savings agreements with the Augusta County School Board, provided that all other
17 conditions and limitations set forth in § 22.1-98.2 of the Code of Virginia shall apply to any such agreement.

18 2. That the third enactment of Chapter 589 of the Acts of Assembly of 2008 is amended and reenacted
19 as follows:

20 3. That additional funds to a school board as a result of this Act shall not be paid unless there is
21 a specific appropriation for such additional funds in the appropriation act at the time payment is
22 proposed; and in no event shall any payments be made prior to July 1, 2010, or will the sum of the
23 basic aid payment and the supplemental basic aid payment exceed the basic aid payment that the
24 locality received pursuant to Chapter 847 of the Acts of Assembly of 2007.

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