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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2156**

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 23.1-611 of the Code of Virginia, relating to public institutions of higher education; students from foreign countries; student exchange programs; tuition and mandatory fee waivers.*

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Referred to Committee on Education

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

**1. That § 23.1-611 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 23.1-611. Students from foreign countries; student exchange programs; tuition and fee waivers.**

Tuition and mandatory fees may be waived for a student from a foreign country enrolled in a public institution of higher education through a *formalized* student exchange program approved by such institution, provided that the number of *foreign* students from a foreign country for whom tuition and mandatory fees has been waived does not exceed during any three-year period the number of students from a foreign country who are enrolled through such student exchange program and who pay does not exceed the number of students paying full tuition and mandatory fees to the institution under the provisions of the exchange program for a given three-year period.

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