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**HOUSE BILL NO. 50** 

Offered January 14, 2026 Prefiled December 29, 2025

A BILL to encourage the Virginia High School League to conduct an evaluation of the feasibility of adding cricket as a sanctioned high school sport in Planning District 8; report.

Patron-Reid

Committee Referral Pending

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

1. § 1. The Virginia High School League (VHSL) is encouraged to conduct an evaluation of the feasibility of adding cricket as a sanctioned high school sport in Planning District 8. In conducting such evaluation, VHSL is encouraged to (i) consult with local school divisions, athletic directors, principals, students, community organizations, and youth sports leagues in Planning District 8 to determine interest, costs, facility needs, and other relevant considerations; (ii) take into consideration any legal implications of such a change pursuant to Title IX (20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.) or Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; and (iii) submit a written report of its findings and recommendations, including a framework with which interested school divisions may petition VHSL to sanction cricket as a high school sport, to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Education, the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Education and Health, and the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations and each local school division in Planning District 8 no later than December 1, 2026.

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