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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1012**

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*A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 33.2-244.1, relating to school access corridors; snow and ice removal; Planning District 8.*

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Committee Referral Pending

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

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 33.2-244.1 as follows:**

**§ 33.2-244.1. Removal of snow and ice from school access corridors; Planning District 8.**

*A. As used in this section, "school access corridor" means a sidewalk, crosswalk, or portion thereof that is (i) maintained by the Department, (ii) on or adjacent to a primary or secondary highway, (iii) located within a half mile of a school, and (iv) widely used by students to walk to or from such school, as determined by the Department.*

*B. When providing snow and ice removal services in Planning District 8, the Commissioner of Highways shall prioritize the removal of snow and ice from all school access corridors.*

*C. The provisions of this section shall not apply if a resident, landowner, or other entity is responsible for removing such snow or ice from such school access corridor pursuant to other law or local ordinance.*

*D. The Department shall coordinate with the safe routes to school program coordinator, as established pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 208, in carrying out the provisions of this section.*