

HOUSE BILL NO. 1229

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Education and Health

on March 5, 2026)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Scott, P.A.)

A BILL to require the Department of Education to take certain actions relating to the use of seclusion and restraint in public schools; report.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *The Department of Education (the Department) shall (i) provide to each local school board a link to or a copy of the Board of Education's Regulations Governing the Use of Seclusion and Restraint in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools in Virginia (8VAC20-750 of the Virginia Administrative Code) and encourage each such board to fully comply with such regulations and (ii) submit to the Chairs of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education and Health no later than October 1, 2026, a report on the current implementation and utilization of such regulations that shall include (a) a detailed summary of the Department's current processes and procedures for enforcing such regulations and (b) a compilation and analysis of data relating to how such regulations are currently being implemented and utilized by public schools in each school division.*