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HOUSE BILL NO. 1037

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Governor
on April 11, 2026)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Carr)

A *BILL to direct the Board of Education, during its next regularly scheduled revision of the Science Standards of Learning and Curriculum Framework, to include in such Science Standards of Learning and Curriculum Framework instructional materials on climate change and environmental literacy and provide guidance to school boards on the selection of such instructional materials.*

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That the Board of Education (the Board) shall, during its next regularly scheduled revision of the Science Standards of Learning and Curriculum Framework and in its subsequent selection of associated textbooks and high-quality instructional materials, (i) include instructional materials on climate change and environmental literacy that are based on and include peer-reviewed scientific sources relating to changes in weather and climate patterns over time, the impacts of human activity on changes in weather and climate patterns, and the effects of climate change on people and resources and (ii) provide to each school board guidance on the selection of instructional materials on climate change and environmental literacy in accordance with clause (i).*

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