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SENATE BILL NO. 724

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Education

on _____)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Senator Pillion)

A BILL to require each school board to submit an annual report to the Virginia Department of Education and the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development listing each student's 9-1-1 address that does not have broadband access.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. Beginning in the 2022 school year and in each school year thereafter through the 2025 school year, each school board shall submit an annual report to the Virginia Department of Education and the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development listing each student's 9-1-1 address that does not have broadband access, as defined by the broadband guidelines set out by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development for its Virginia Telecommunication Initiative. Each school board shall submit such annual report no later than December 31 of each such school year. The Virginia Department of Education, in consultation with the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development, shall develop and publish no later than September 1, 2022, and may update annually thereafter a framework and survey tool for school boards to submit such report and the data contained therein.

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