

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2022 SESSION

## CHAPTER 428

*An Act to direct the Department of Education, in conjunction with stakeholders, to develop guidelines on policies to inform and educate coaches and student athletes and their parents or guardians on heat-related illness to be distributed by August 1, 2022.*

[S 161]

Approved April 11, 2022

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

**1.** *§ 1. The Department of Education shall, in conjunction with relevant stakeholders, including the Virginia High School League, the Department of Health, the Virginia Athletic Trainers' Association, representatives of the Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters and the Children's National Medical Center, the Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Virginia College of Emergency Physicians, the Virginia Academy of Family Physicians, the Medical Society of Virginia, and the Virginia Association of School Nurses, develop guidelines on policies to inform and educate coaches and student athletes and their parents or guardians of the nature and risk of heat-related illness, how to recognize the signs of heat-related illness, and how to prevent heat-related illness. The guidelines shall be distributed to local school divisions by August 1, 2022.*