

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-207.7, relating to school*
3 *attendance; 4-H educational programs and activities.*

4 [S 596]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-207.7 as follows:**8 **§ 22.1-207.7. 4-H educational programs and activities; attendance.**

9 *A. No student who misses a partial or full day of school while participating in a 4-H educational*
10 *program or activity shall be counted as absent for the purposes of calculating average daily*
11 *membership and each such student shall receive course credit in the same manner as he would for a*
12 *school field trip, provided that:*

13 *1. Each local school board shall develop policies and procedures for such students to make up*
14 *missed work;*

15 *2. Each local school board may determine the maximum number of school days per academic year*
16 *that a student may spend participating in 4-H educational programs or activities to not be counted*
17 *absent; and*

18 *3. No school shall provide course credit to a student pursuant this section if the student's*
19 *participation in a 4-H educational program or activity occurs during scheduled Standards of Learning*
20 *assessments or during any period of time that the student is suspended or expelled from school.*

21 *B. Upon request from a school principal or an assistant principal, an agent or representative from*
22 *4-H shall provide documentation as proof of a student's participation in an activity or program*
23 *sponsored by 4-H.*

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