

Virginia Board of Education Agenda Item



Agenda Item: M

Date: February 28, 2013

Title	Report on K-12 Legislation Passed by the 2013 General Assembly		
Presenter	Ms. Anne D. Wescott, Assistant Superintendent for Policy and Communications		
E-mail	Anne.Wescott@doe.virginia.gov	Phone	(804) 225-2403

Purpose of Presentation:

For information only. No action required.

Previous Review or Action:

No previous review or action.

Action Requested:

No action requested.

Alignment with Board of Education Goals: Please indicate (X) all that apply:

X	Goal 1: Accountability for Student Learning
X	Goal 2: Rigorous Standards to Promote College and Career Readiness
	Goal 3: Expanded Opportunities to Learn
	Goal 4: Nurturing Young Learners
X	Goal 5: Highly Qualified and Effective Educators
X	Goal 6: Sound Policies for Student Success
X	Goal 7: Safe and Secure Schools
X	Other Priority or Initiative. Specify: Flexibility in meeting SOQ staffing

Background Information and Statutory Authority:

This report summarizes the major K-12 legislation passed by the 2013 General Assembly that will require action by the Board of Education. The bills address the following Board goals:

Goal 1: The legislation addresses accountability for student learning as related to a school performance grading system and the establishment of the Opportunity Educational Institution for failing schools.

Goal 2: The legislation addresses rigorous standards to promote college and career readiness, especially for career and technical education and work force development.

Goal 5: The legislation addresses highly qualified and effective educators by revising provisions about teacher and administrator contracts and the grievance procedure.

Goal 6: The legislation addresses sound policies for student success by requiring school divisions to offer early reading and algebra readiness programs.

Goal 7: The legislation addresses safe and secure schools with a number of initiatives to promote student safety.

Other initiatives: The legislation permits schools divisions to have flexibility in implementing the Standards of Quality staffing requirements.

Summary of Important Issues: The attached report lists the major K-12 bills passed by the General Assembly, most of which would require action by the Board or would otherwise address the work of the Board.

Impact on Fiscal and Human Resources:

Department staff will provide the staff resources to assist the Board in developing the policies and guidance necessary to implement the applicable legislation.

Timetable for Further Review/Action:

These items will come before the Board for appropriate action later in 2013.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Public Instruction recommends that the Board of Education accept this report.