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HOUSE BILL NO. 968

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Education and Health
on February 16, 2006)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Ebbin)

A BILL to amend and reenact § 22.1-341 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Board of Correctional Education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 22.1-341 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 22.1-341. Supervision of Department; composition of Board; terms and vacancies.

The Board of the Rehabilitative School Authority is continued and shall hereafter be known as the Board of Correctional Education. The supervision of the Department shall be vested in the Board of Correctional Education. The Board shall be composed of seven members who shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the General Assembly.

In making appointments, the Governor shall endeavor to select appointees of such qualifications and experience necessary to ensure that membership of the Board includes persons suitably qualified to consider and act upon the various matters under the Board's jurisdiction. These appointees shall include one citizen with an immediate family member currently or previously incarcerated within the Commonwealth or one citizen who was formerly incarcerated in the Virginia Department of Corrections and has participated in at least one program administered by the Department of Correctional Education during his incarceration.

Members shall be appointed for terms of four years each except that whenever a vacancy occurs other than by expiration of a term, the Governor shall appoint a member for the remainder of that term. No member shall serve more than two consecutive four-year terms.

The chairman of the Virginia Parole Board or his designee, two persons designated by the Director of the Department of Corrections and or his designee, the Director of Juvenile Justice and or his designee, the director of Career and Technical Education in the Department of Education or his designee, the assistant superintendent for Special Education and Student Services in the Department of Education or his designee, and the Chancellor of the Virginia Community College System or his designee shall serve as ex officio members without vote.

2. That, notwithstanding the provisions of this act, the members appointed to the Board of Correctional Education prior to July 1, 2006, shall serve until the expiration of their terms. However, vacancies shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of § 22.1-341 of the Code of Virginia as set forth in this act.

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