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Virginia Department of Education
Superintendent's Memo #176-21

DATE: July 2, 2021
TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: James F. Lane, Ed.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: **Final Legislative Report from the 2021 Virginia General Assembly**

During its 2021 Session, the General Assembly passed a number of bills related to education or of interest to the field, including new requirements for the Virginia Board of Education, Virginia Department of Education (VDOE), and local school divisions. This memorandum is to provide division superintendents and school personnel with an overview of this legislation. Please note that all legislation became effective on July 1, 2021 unless otherwise indicated.

You will find the list of bills passed during the 2021 Session, organized by topic, in **Attachment A**. By clicking on the bill or resolution number, you will be directed to the text of the final version of the legislation. You can also navigate from this page to find more detail on the history of the bill or resolution as well as any amendments. While bill summaries are provided in the attachment, we encourage you to use the links provided to review the actual text of the legislation. You may also find more information on activity from the 2021 Session of the General Assembly session on VDOE's education legislation webpage. These reports detail the final actions on education-related legislation, including Appropriation Act language and resolutions.

For some legislation, a separate Superintendent's Memorandum has been or will be distributed in order to provide more detailed information.

We hope this information will assist you and your school boards as you plan for and implement this year's education-related legislation. Technical assistance is available from VDOE to help with the implementation of these measures.

For more information

If you have any questions or require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Policy at (804) 225-2092 or by e-mail at policy@doe.virginia.gov.

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- A. Attachment: [2021 General Assembly Report](#) (DOCX)