## **EDUCATION**

## Public Schools-Virginia

Chapter 66 of the acts of the 1956 Extra Session of the Virginia General Assembly, approved September 29, 1956, makes amendments to the Virginia school laws with respect to minimum school terms.

#### CHAPTER 66

An Act to amend and reenact § 22-5, as amended, of the Code of Virginia, relating to minimum school terms.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

That § 22-5, as amended, of the Code of Virginia be amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 22-5. Minimum term.—The school board of each county and city in the State is empowered to maintain the public free schools of such county and city for a period of at least nine months or one hundred and eighty teaching days in each school year; provided, however, that if the length of the term of any school be reduced the amount paid by the State shall, unless otherwise provided by law, be reduced in the same proportion as the length of the term has been reduced from nine months.

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# Public Schools—Virginia

Chapter 67 of the acts of the 1956 Extra Session of the Virginia General Assembly, approved September 29, 1956, makes amendments to the Code of Virginia with respect to city and county budgets. The amendments relate to the availability of state funds for the purpose of making grants to pupils attending private, nonsectarian schools.

### CHAPTER 67

An Act to amend and reenact § 15-577 of the Code of Virginia, relating to county and city budgets; to amend and reenact § 22-117 of the Code of Virginia, relating to when State funds are to be paid for public schools; to amend and reenact § 22-125 of the Code of Virginia, relating to procedure when governing body refuses to provide funds for public school purposes; to amend and reenact § 22-126 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, relating to school levies and the use thereof; to amend and reenact § 22-127 of the Code of Virginia, relating to cash appropriations in lieu of school levies; to amend and reenact § 22-129 of the Code of Virginia, relating to town levies and appropriations for public school purposes; to amend and reenact § 22-138 of the Code of Virginia, relating to unexpended school funds; to amend the Code of Virginia by adding thereto a section numbered 22-127.1, relating to levies and appropriations by the governing bodies of counties, cities and towns for school purposes, so as to authorize such governing bodies to withhold funds already made available for school purposes, and to provide penalties for violation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

That §§ 15-577, 22-117, 22-125, 22-126 as amended, 22-127, 22-129, 22-138 of the Code of Virginia be amended and reenacted, and that the Code of Virginia be amended by adding a new section numbered 22-127.1, the amended sections and new section being as follows:

§ 15-577. A brief synopsis of the budget shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the locality affected, and notice given of one or more public hearings, at least fifteen days prior to the date set for hearing, at which any citizen of the locality shall have the right to attend and state his views thereon. The board of supervisors of any county not having a newspaper of general circulation may in lieu of the foregoing notice provide for notice by written or printed handbills, posted at such places as it may direct, so as to accomplish the purposes of this