**HOUSE BILL 1436** House Education Committee Hearing Monday February 1, 2021 3PM

Introduction/ Support of HB1436 provided by Cindy Schreiber-Beck, District 25 Representative

Chairman Mark Owens and Committee Members:

This legislation would change subsection 1 of 15.1-21-16. Summer school courses and programs – Eligibility for payment. The summer school courses and programs for which a school district may receive payments as provided in section 15.1-27-19.

The change removes the criteria of remedial instruction in mathematics and reading for K-4 (lines 10 through 13 already allowed students in 5-8 to receive nonremedial instruction). Due to the pandemic, many students need a catch-up program, and the changes will allow those students to attend summer school to receive instruction and the districts to receive payment for those students.

In the bill:

- Line 6: remedial mathematics is removed and replaced with mathematics (for K 8)
- Line 8: remedial reading is removed and replaced with reading (for K 8)
- o Lines 10-13 are removed since the changes in lines 6 through 9 provide for the instruction
- Lines 14: & 16: unnecessary language is removed
- Line 17: due to the above changes

Section 2 is the emergency clause which would allow for this legislation, if passed by both chambers and signed by the governor, to go into effect prior to the start of 2021 summer school.

Thank you for your attention and favorable consideration of this proposed legislation.

15.1-21-16. Summer school courses and programs - Eligibility for payment. The summer school courses and programs for which a school district may receive payment as provided in section 15.1-27-19 are:

- a. Remedial mathematics provided to students enrolled in any grade from kindergarten through eight;
  - b. Remedial reading provided to students enrolled in any grade from kindergarten through eight;
  - c. Beginning after the conclusion of the 2009-10 school calendar, mathematics provided to students enrolled in any grade from five through eight;
  - d. Beginning after the conclusion of the 2009-10 school calendar, reading provided to students enrolled in any grade from five through eight;
  - e. Beginning after the conclusion of the 2009-10 school calendar, science provided to students enrolled in any grade from five through eight; and
  - f. Beginning after the conclusion of the 2009-10 school calendar, social studies provided to students enrolled in any grade from five through eight; and.
  - 2. Any other high school summer courses that satisfy requirements for graduation, comprise at least as many clock-hours as courses offered during the regular school term, and comply with rules adopted by the superintendent of public instruction.

(Remedial instruction at the elementary level would be developmentally appropriate instruction in remedial reading and remedial mathematics which enables students to achieve challenging academic standards. i.e.: Remedial Reading is a highly effective short-term intervention of tutoring struggling readers in both an individualized and small group setting.)

Administrative rules for elementary summer school programs can be found in Article 67-24.