

HB1186 • Virginia

Artificial intelligence; use of systems for student instruction.

Passed Both Chambers

Risk: Medium

Comprehensive

Last Action (Apr 13, 2026): Acts of Assembly Chapter text (CHAP0937)

Summary

The bill establishes guidelines for AI use in Virginia public schools and creates a pilot program for innovative AI applications in education, requiring stakeholder consultation.

Business Impact

If you operate in Virginia public schools, you must follow new AI guidelines for student instruction or risk penalties.

Key Provisions

- Department of Education to compile information on AIS use in public schools, consulting with school divisions and stakeholders.
- Guidance for safe, ethical, and equitable use of AIS to be posted publicly.
- School boards must implement policies consistent with the Department's guidance.
- Establishment of the AIS Innovation in Education Pilot Program.
- Annual reporting on pilot program effectiveness and recommendations.
- Pilot Program expires on July 1, 2030.

Compliance Checklist

- Compile information on current AIS uses in schools | Who: Department of Education
- Establish and enforce policies consistent with AIS guidance | Who: School boards
- Submit annual report on pilot program | Who: Department of Education

Industries Affected

Healthcare

Education

Topics

AI in Education

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Sam Rasoul	D	Sponsor
Michelle Maldonado	D	Sponsor

Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2026-03-13	Conference report agreed to by House (95-Y 0-N 0-A)	95	0	Passed
2026-03-13	Conference report agreed to by Senate (38-Y 1-N 0-)	38	1	Passed
2026-03-11	Senate insisted on substitute Block Vote (40-Y 0-N)	40	0	Passed
2026-03-10	Senate substitute rejected by House (0-Y 99-N 0-A)	0	99	Failed
2026-03-09	Passed Senate with substitute Block Vote (40-Y 0-N)	40	0	Passed
2026-03-06	Constitutional reading dispensed Block Vote (on 2n)	39	0	Passed
2026-03-05	Reported from Education and Health with substitute	15	0	Passed
2026-02-17	Read third time and passed House (95-Y 1-N 0-A)	95	1	Passed

Related Bills

- SB394 (VA)

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