1	HOUSE BILL NO. 1083
2	AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
3	(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations
4	on February 27, 2024)
5	(Patron Prior to SubstituteDelegate Coyner)
6	A BILL to direct the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and the Virginia Office of Education
7	Economics to identify and report on opportunities to improve the Virginia Longitudinal Data
8	System; report.
9	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
10	1. § 1. The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) and the Virginia Office of Education
11	Economics (VOEE) shall identify and report on opportunities to improve the Virginia Longitudinal Data
12	System (the System). The report shall be developed in consultation with the Secretary of Education, the
13	Secretary of Labor, the participating agencies in the System, and the Chairs of the Senate Committee on
14	Education and Health, the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations, the House Committee on
15	Education, and the House Committee on Appropriations.
16	The report shall include a plan and associated costs to (i) develop preprocessed datasets to assist
17	in responding to inquiries from the executive and legislative branch entities, including a list of existing
18	datasets by agency and at least two sample datasets; (ii) develop an appropriate governance and data
19	sharing structure to provide data in a timely manner to the Governor, the General Assembly, and
20	researchers; (iii) assess the feasibility of providing interoperability with the Workforce Data Trust and the
21	ability to support data sharing that maintains data privacy as required by state and federal law; (iv) develop
22	a review of the methods and appropriate technology used to compile and merge datasets; and (v) determine
23	the appropriate entity to administer the System and outline the opportunities and challenges if the entity
24	does not operate within the scope of the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA).

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The report shall consider practices in other states that ensure data privacy and integrity, support	
evidence-based research, provide data-informed decision making for policy and practice, include public	
facing dashboards, and maintain a formal governance structure.	
SCHEV and VOEE may hire a third-party consultant to provide expertise in developing the plan	
and shall report their findings by November 1, 2024, to the Governor and the Chairs of the Senate	
Committee on Education and Health, the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations, the House	
Committee on Education, and the House Committee on Appropriations.	
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