

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. _____

1 Requesting the Superintendent of Public Instruction to promote the use of the Creative Commons
 2 License by K-12 teachers in the Commonwealth in developing educational content, resources,
 3 and assessments for the benefit of all citizens of the Commonwealth.

4 WHEREAS, the Commonwealth expends public funds to assist teachers in creating educational
 5 materials for use by the public school systems of the Commonwealth; and

6 WHEREAS, the majority of these materials are released to the public for improvement of student
 7 learning and assessment and for the general betterment of the citizens of the Commonwealth; and

8 WHEREAS, the Creative Commons License provides teachers and administrators a tool that will
 9 help ensure citizens of the Commonwealth have the freedom to use, customize, improve, and
 10 redistribute educational resources for the public good without undue constraint; and

11 WHEREAS, educators worldwide are developing a vast pool of educational resources for
 12 distribution and on the Internet, open and free for all to use; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the Superintendent of
 14 Public Instruction promote the use of the Creative Commons License by K-12 teachers in the
 15 Commonwealth in developing educational content, resources, and assessments for the benefit of all
 16 citizens of the Commonwealth; and, be it

17 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates transmit a copy of this
 18 resolution to the Superintendent of Public Education, requesting that the Superintendent further
 19 disseminate copies of this resolution to the Commonwealth's local school boards so that they may be
 20 apprised of the sense of the General Assembly of Virginia in this matter.

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