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Pro-Family Women Commends Passage of Pro-Parental Rights Bill

Arlington, Virginia – Today the Virginia General Assembly gave final approval to SB 656, legislation that would require a child’s parent to be notified beforehand if their child’s school instructional material includes sexually explicit content, as well as to be offered alternative material if the parent so requests. The Virginia Department of Education will develop model policies to effectuate this.

The legislation next goes to Governor Youngkin, who is expected to sign it. This legislation was identified as one of Governor Youngkin’s [legislative priorities](#) in January 2022.

Susan Muskett, president of Pro-Family Women, said: **“Once this legislation takes effect, parents throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia will be able to ensure that their own child is not exposed to sexually explicit instructional materials at school. They will be able to see what is placed before their child *before* it happens. We look forward to Governor Youngkin signing this important pro-parental rights legislation.”**

Virginians support parents having a say in their children’s education. The 2021 Virginia [CNN Exit Poll](#), conducted by Edison Research, found that the majority of Virginia’s voters supported parents having “a lot” of say in what schools teach.

Pro-Family Women is an organization that promotes the values of faithful Catholic women in proclaiming the truth about human life and family.

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