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## HOUSE BILL NO. 2818

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*A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.1-399 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Governor's Budget Bill.*

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Referred to Committee on Appropriations

### **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

#### **1. That § 2.1-399 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 2.1-399. Budget bill.

A. On or before December 20 of the year immediately prior to the beginning of each regular session held in an even-numbered year of the General Assembly, the Governor also shall submit to the presiding officer of each house of the General Assembly, at the same time he submits his budget, copies of a tentative bill for all proposed appropriations of the budget, for each year in the ensuing biennial appropriation period, which shall be known as "The Budget Bill." "The Budget Bill" shall be organized by function, primary agency, and proposed appropriation item and shall include an identification of, and authorization for, common programs and the appropriation of funds according to programs. Except as expressly provided in an appropriation act, whenever the amounts in a schedule for a single appropriation item are shown in two or more lines, the portions of the total amount shown on separate lines are for information purposes only and are not limiting. No such bill shall contain any appropriation the expenditure of which is contingent upon the receipt of revenues in excess of funds unconditionally appropriated. The salary proposed for payment for the position of each cabinet secretary and administrative head of each agency of the executive branch of state government shall be specified in "The Budget Bill."

B. On or before December 20 of the year immediately prior to the beginning of each regular session held in an odd-numbered year of the General Assembly, the Governor shall submit to the presiding officer of each house printed copies of all gubernatorial amendments proposed to the general appropriation act adopted in the immediately preceding even-numbered year session.

C. If any Budget Bill or amendment thereto to be submitted pursuant to subsections A or B proposes any salary increase in any fiscal year over the prior fiscal year for (i) state employees, (ii) state-supported local employees as set forth in subdivision C. 2. e. of Item 547 of Chapter 1073 of the Acts of Assembly of 2000, (iii) faculty of public institutions of higher education (including teaching, research, adjunct, and graduate teaching assistant faculty), or (iv) local school board instructional and administrative employees needed to maintain an educational program meeting the prescribed standards of quality as set forth in Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution of Virginia, then such Budget Bill or amendment thereto must provide salary increases for all such classes of employees and faculty.

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