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## SENATE BILL NO. 1116

Senate Amendments in [ ] — February 2, 2001

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 2.1-744.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Virginia Veterans Care Center; board of trustees.*

Patrons Prior to Engrossment—Senators Edwards and Miller, K.G.

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 2.1-744.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 2.1-744.1. Virginia Veterans Care Center Board of Trustees; appointments; terms.

A. The Virginia Veterans Care Center Board of Trustees is hereby established and shall be referred to in this chapter as the Board. The Board is a supervisory board within the meaning of § 9-6.25 and shall operate as an agency [ ~~under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Administration of the Commonwealth~~ under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Administration ]. The Board shall govern and oversee the administration of (i) the Virginia Veterans Care Center, located in the City of Roanoke, adjacent to the United States Veterans Administration hospital, and (ii) *any other centers that may be established for the care of Virginia veterans*. The purpose of the Virginia Veterans Care Center is to provide adult home and nursing home care for Virginia residents who are veterans of the armed forces of the United States or those who were Virginia residents at the time of their entry in the armed forces.

B. The Board shall be composed of ten members, all residents of the Commonwealth *who possess the qualifications and experience necessary to control the operations of the Virginia Veterans Care Center, so as to provide financially sound, high quality care to its residents*, to be appointed by the ~~Governor~~. *Three as follows: five members shall be chosen from a list of nominees submitted appointed by the Governor; three members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates. Two ; and two members shall be chosen from a list of nominees submitted appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections. In making appointments, the Governor shall select members who possess the qualifications and experience necessary to control the operations of the Virginia Veterans Care Center, so as to provide financially sound, high quality care to its residents.*

C. Members of the Board shall be appointed for four-year terms. Any appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for the unexpired term. No person shall be eligible to serve for more than two successive four-year terms. However, any person appointed to fill a vacancy may be eligible for two successive full terms after the term of the vacancy for which he was appointed has expired. Members of the Board may be removed by the Governor [ ~~at his pleasure as provided in subsection B of § 2.1-43~~ at his pleasure ] .

2. That this act shall not be construed to affect existing appointments for which the terms have not expired as of July 1, 2001. However, any new appointments made after July 1, 2001, shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act.

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