## 020687928 **HOUSE BILL NO. 1099** 1 2 3 4 5 Offered January 9, 2002 Prefiled January 9, 2002 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 24.2-667.1, relating to announcement of results in Presidential elections; penalty. 6 Patrons—Scott, Almand, Hull, Moran, Rust and Van Landingham 7 8 Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 11

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 24.2-667.1 as follows:

§ 24.2-667.1. Announcement of results in Presidential elections; penalty.

The officers of election, general registrars, local electoral board members, State Board of Elections, and their staffs, and persons present when the vote is ascertained pursuant to § 24.2-655, shall make no public announcement of the precinct results in a Presidential election until the polls have closed throughout the 48 contiguous states and the District of Columbia. The State Board of Elections shall promulgate instructions to implement the provisions of this section. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.

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