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HOUSE BILL NO. 1351

Offered January 22, 2004

A *BILL* to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 24.2-701.1, relating to solicitation of absentee ballot applications and ballots in hospitals, nursing homes, and assisted living facilities.

Patron—Purkey

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 24.2-701.1 as follows:

§ 24.2-701.1. Solicitation of absentee ballot applications and ballots in hospitals, nursing homes, and assisted living facilities.

It shall be unlawful for any person to solicit, in person, absentee ballot applications or absentee ballots from persons staying in any hospital or nursing home as defined in § 32.1-123 or assisted living facility as defined in § 63.2-100. The prohibition in this section shall not apply to (i) a family member of the person staying in the hospital, nursing home, or assisted living facility, (ii) a general or assistant registrar or the members of the electoral board for a locality, or (iii) the staffs of the general registrar or electoral board. "Family member" means a spouse, parent, grandparent, sibling, child, or grandchild.

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