

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to authorize the Virginia Information Technologies Agency to conduct an alternative dispute*
3 *resolution pilot project.*

4 [H 2054]

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

8 **1.** *§ 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq.), the*
9 *Virginia Information Technologies Agency is authorized to promulgate administrative rules allowing the*
10 *use of alternative dispute resolution in procurement protests involving its procurement of information*
11 *technology and telecommunications goods and services pursuant to § 2.2-2012. Such rules shall provide*
12 *that deadlines specified in the Virginia Public Procurement Act for filing procurement protests are tolled*
13 *during the use of alternative dispute resolution.*

14 *§ 2. Such rules shall not require the protesting party to exhaust all available administrative remedies*
15 *prior to seeking judicial review.*

16 *§ 3. On or before July 1, 2006, and every July 1 thereafter until the expiration of this act, the Chief*
17 *Information Officer of the Commonwealth shall submit a report to the Interagency Dispute Resolution*
18 *Advisory Council (the Council) on the implementation of the provisions of this act. Pursuant to the*
19 *Virginia Administrative Dispute Resolution Act (§ 2.2-4115 et seq.), the Council shall report on this pilot*
20 *project and other council alternative dispute resolution programs to the chairs of the House and Senate*
21 *Committees on General Laws, the House Committee on Science and Technology, and the Joint*
22 *Commission on Technology and Science.*

23 **2. That the provisions of this act shall expire on July 1, 2008.**

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