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SENATE BILL NO. 347

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-2807 of the Code of Virginia, relating to smoking ban in restaurants in certain localities.*

Patron—Blevins

Referred to Committee on Education and Health

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 15.2-2807 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 15.2-2807. Chapter's application to certain ordinances.

Ordinances A. *Unless otherwise provided herein, ordinances* adopted after January 1, 1990, shall not contain provisions or standards which exceed those established in this chapter. However, any ordinance may provide that employers may regulate smoking in the private work place as they deem appropriate under the following circumstances: (i) if the designation of smoking and no-smoking areas is the subject of a written agreement between the employer and his employees, the provisions of the written agreement shall control such designation and (ii) a total ban on smoking in any work place shall only be enforced by the employer upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the affected employees voting, unless such ban is the subject of a contract of employment between the employer and the employees as a prior condition of employment. No such ordinance shall affect no-smoking policies established by employers prior to the adoption of such ordinance.

B. *Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this chapter, smoking shall not be permitted in any restaurant, bar, or lounge area in the City of Chesapeake, including outdoor areas in which food or drinks are served.*

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