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HOUSE BILL NO. 2527

Offered January 16, 2009

A BILL to amend and reenact § 17.1-300 of the Code of Virginia, relating to term of the chief justice.

Patrons—Janis, Gilbert, Landes, Loupassi and Peace

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 17.1-300 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 17.1-300. Composition of Court; quorum; Chief Justice.

The Supreme Court shall consist of seven justices, any four of whom convened shall constitute a quorum. The Chief Justice shall be elected by majority vote of the justices of the Supreme Court to serve a term of four years. *The Chief Justice shall serve no more than two consecutive terms.* An eligible justice may decline to serve as Chief Justice, or a Chief Justice may resign as such, without thereby relinquishing his membership on the Court as a justice thereof.

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