10102747D 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 743** Offered January 13, 2010 2 3 4 5 6 Prefiled January 12, 2010 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 24.2-669.1, relating to elections; ballot security. Patrons—Cleaveland and Griffith 7 8 Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 24.2-669.1 as follows: 11 § 24.2-669.1. Unauthorized copying of ballots. 12 Except in response to a court order explicitly requiring otherwise, no person shall reproduce, copy, 13 or photograph any ballot that has been cast in an election. In the event of a court order requiring 14 15 reproductions of ballots, only the clerk who is the authorized custodian of ballots pursuant to § 24.2-669, or his chief deputy, may reproduce or copy the ballots.