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## HOUSE BILL NO. 2308

Offered January 22, 2015

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 15.2-709.2, relating to county manager plan of government; county auditor.

Patron—Hope

Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 15.2-709.2 as follows:

§ 15.2-709.2. County auditor.

The board may appoint a county auditor for the audit and review of county agencies and county-funded functions. The county auditor shall have the power to make performance reviews of operations of county agencies or county-funded programs to ascertain that sums appropriated are expended for the purposes for which such appropriations were made and to evaluate the effectiveness of those agencies and programs. The county auditor shall make such special studies and reports as he deems appropriate and as the board requests.

The board may provide staff assistance to the county auditor that shall be independent of the administrative staff of the county. The county auditor and any such staff shall be hired on the basis of merit and shall be paid in conformity with existing pay scales. The county auditor shall serve at the pleasure of the board, and if removed, such removal shall not be subject to review by any other employee, agency, board, or commission of the county or under the grievance procedure adopted pursuant to § 15.2-1506.

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