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SENATE BILL NO. 1254**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**

(Proposed by the Senate Committee for Courts of Justice
on February 4, 2015)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Smith)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 16.1-69.9:5, 17.1-300.1, 17.1-400.1, and 17.1-512.1, relating to limitation on election and appointment of judges.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding sections numbered 16.1-69.9:5, 17.1-300.1, 17.1-400.1, and 17.1-512.1 as follows:

§ 16.1-69.9:5. Limitation on election and appointment of judges.

No person shall be elected or appointed to an original term as a judge if the person (i) is a member of the General Assembly or (ii) was a member of the General Assembly less than 24 months prior to such election or appointment as a judge.

§ 17.1-300.1. Limitation on election and appointment of justice.

No person shall be elected or appointed to an original term as a justice if the person (i) is a member of the General Assembly or (ii) was a member of the General Assembly less than 24 months prior to such election or appointment as a justice.

§ 17.1-400.1. Limitation on election and appointment of judge.

No person shall be elected or appointed to an original term as a judge if the person (i) is a member of the General Assembly or (ii) was a member of the General Assembly less than 24 months prior to such election or appointment as a judge.

§ 17.1-512.1. Limitation on election and appointment of judge.

No person shall be elected or appointed to an original term as a judge if the person (i) is a member of the General Assembly or (ii) was a member of the General Assembly less than 24 months prior to such election or appointment as a judge.