VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2016 SESSION

CHAPTER 14

An Act to amend and reenact § 24.2-808 of the Code of Virginia, relating to contests of election for certain elections; service of process.

[H 105]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 24.2-808 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 24.2-808. Time of filing and service of complaint; enlargement or amendment of complaint.

The contestant shall file his complaint in the clerk's office of the circuit court within thirty 30 days following the date of the election in the case of a general election, and within ten 10 days following the date of the election in case of a primary election or special election held on a date other than that of a general election. A copy of the complaint shall be served by the contestant as provided under § 8.01-296 on each contestee; otherwise the complaint shall not be valid. For a contest conducted pursuant to § 24.2-806, the copy of the complaint shall be served by the contestant on each contestee within 30 days following the date of the election in the case of a general election and within 10 days following the date of the election in the case of a general election held on a date other than that of a general election.

No enlargement or amendment of the complaint, except as to form, shall be permitted save by leave of court as provided in Rule 1:8 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia.