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HOUSE BILL NO. 724

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 33.2-1912 of the Code of Virginia, relating to voting procedures of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission.

Patron—LeMunyon

Referred to Committee on Transportation**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:****1. That § 33.2-1912 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:****§ 33.2-1912. Quorum and action by commission.**

A. Except as provided in subsection B, a majority of the commission, which majority shall include at least one commissioner from a majority of the component governments, shall constitute a quorum. Members of the commission who are members of the General Assembly shall not be counted in determining a quorum while the General Assembly is in session. The Chairman of the Commonwealth Transportation Board or his designee shall be included for the purposes of constituting a quorum. The presence of a quorum and a vote of the majority of the members necessary to constitute a quorum of all the members appointed to the commission, including an affirmative vote from a majority of the members, shall be necessary to take any action. The Chairman of the Commonwealth Transportation Board or his designee shall have voting rights equal to appointees of component governments on all matters brought before the commission. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-3708, members of the General Assembly may participate in the meetings of the commission through electronic communications while the General Assembly is in session.

B. A majority of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, which majority shall include at least a majority of the representatives of the counties and cities embraced by the Commission, shall constitute a quorum. Decisions of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission shall require a quorum and shall be in accordance with voting procedures established by the Commission. In all cases, decisions of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the Commission present and voting and two-thirds of the representatives of the counties and cities embraced by the Commission who are present and voting and whose counties and cities include at least two-thirds of the population embraced by the Commission. The population of counties and cities embraced by the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission shall be the population as determined by the most recently preceding decennial census, except that on July 1 of the fifth year following such census, the population of each county and city shall be adjusted on the basis of population estimates made by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia.

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