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HOUSE BILL NO. 890

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 24.2-502 of the Code of Virginia, relating to candidates; filing of statements of economic interests.*

Patrons—Gilbert and McClellan

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 24.2-502 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:****§ 24.2-502. Statement of economic interests as requirement of candidacy.**

It shall be a requirement of candidacy that a written statement of economic interests shall be filed by (i) a candidate for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Attorney General with the Secretary of the Commonwealth, (ii) a candidate for the Senate or House of Delegates with the clerk of the appropriate house, (iii) and a candidate for a constitutional office with the general registrar for the county or city, Virginia Conflict of Interest and Ethics Advisory Council and (iv) (ii) a candidate for member of the governing body or elected school board of any county, city, or town with a population in excess of 3,500 persons with the general registrar for the county or city. The statement of economic interests shall be that specified in § 30-111 for candidates for the General Assembly and in § 2.2-3117 for all other candidates. The foregoing requirement shall not apply to a candidate for reelection to the same office who has met the requirement of ~~annually~~ *semiannually* filing a statement pursuant to § 2.2-3114, 2.2-3115, or 30-110.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth and the clerks of the Senate and House of Delegates Virginia Conflict of Interest and Ethics Advisory Council shall transmit to the State Board, immediately after the filing deadline, a list of the candidates who have filed initial or ~~annual~~ *semiannual* statements of economic interests. The general registrar, the clerk of the local governing body, or the clerk of the school board, as appropriate, shall transmit to the local electoral board, immediately after the filing deadline, a list of the candidates who have filed initial or ~~annual~~ *semiannual* statements of economic interests.

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