

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 24.2-604.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to election day page*
3 *program; central absentee voter precincts.*

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5 Approved

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6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. That § 24.2-604.3 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 **§ 24.2-604.3. Election day page program; high school students.**

9 A. The local electoral board, or its general registrar, may conduct a special election day page
10 program for high school students in one or more polling places designated by the electoral board or the
11 general registrar, ~~other than~~ *which may include* a central absentee voter precinct. Students shall be
12 selected for the election day page program by the electoral board or the general registrar in cooperation
13 with high school authorities. The program shall be designed to stimulate the pages' interest in elections
14 and registering to vote, provide assistance to the officers of election, and ensure the safe entry and exit
15 of elderly and disabled voters from the polling place.

16 B. Each page shall receive, from a person designated by the electoral board, training on the duties,
17 responsibilities, and prohibited conduct of election pages. Each page shall take and sign an oath as an
18 election page, serve under the direct supervision of the chief officer of election of his assigned polling
19 place, and observe strict impartiality at all times.

20 C. Election pages may observe the electoral process and seek information from the chief officer of
21 election and may assist in the arrangement of the voting equipment, furniture, and other materials for the
22 conduct of the election but shall not enter any voting booth. Election pages may, at the direction and
23 under the direct supervision of the chief officer of election, assist in the counting of unmarked ballots
24 but shall not handle or touch ballots in any other circumstance.

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